# LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

BOARD MEETING

AUGUST 6, 1992

JAMES H. JENKINS, JR. CHAIRMAN

BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA

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#### MINUTES OF THE MEETING

OF

# LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

August 6, 1992

Chairman James H. Jenkins, Jr. presiding.

Thursday, August 6, 1992

Bert Jones
Perry Gisclair
Tee John Mialjevich
Warren Pol
Jeff Schneider
Pete Vujnovich

Secretary Joe L. Herring was also present.

Chairman Jenkins called for a motion for approval of the July 7, 1992, Commission Minutes. A motion for approval was made by Commissioner Vujnovich and seconded by Commissioner Pol. The motion passed unanimously.

A resolution for Louisiana National Hunting and Fishing Day was presented by Mr. Al Carver. Mr. Carver read the "Therefore Be It Resolved" portion of the resolution. The resolution passed the Commission unanimously.

(The full text of the Resolution is made a part of the record.)

#### RESOLUTION

Wildlife and Fisheries Commission Wildlife and Fisheries Department

#### August 6, 1992

The following was adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission at its regular Commission meeting in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, August 6, 1992.

- WHEREAS, because of the outstanding contributions that America's hunters and fishermen have made to conservation, recreation and the economy, they are deserving of special recognition, and
- whereas, since the turn of the century, hunters and anglers have been the leaders in nearly all major conservation programs. These sportsmen-conservationists are responsible for the funding of state fish and game

departments in all fifty states. They asked that they, themselves, be required to buy licenses and that the money collected be used to support state conservation agencies. In the last fifty years alone, these sportsmen have provided \$2.5 billion for conservation programs, and

- whereas, hunters and fishermen asked for the establishment of regulated seasons and bag limits so that sportsmen could harvest the annual crop of game and fish without damage to the basic breeding population. The result has been that there are now more deer, elk, antelope and wild turkey in the United States than there were fifty years ago. Further, sportsmen's programs have benefitted numerous species of non-game fish and wildlife through habitat development, and
- whereas, hunters and fishermen, unique in all America, asked that their fishing and hunting equipment be taxed and that the money be used for land acquisition, research and habitat management for fish and wildlife for the enjoyment of all Americans, and
- WHEREAS, through their publications and organizations such as the National Wildlife Federation, Ducks Unlimited, Izaak Walton League of America and many others, hunters and fishermen have led the nation in the battle for a better environment and the wise use of our natural resources.
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby proclaims September 26, 1992 as Louisiana's National Hunting and Fishing Day in Louisiana. The Commission urges all of our citizens to join with the sportsmen-conservationists in a rededication to the wise use of our natural resources and their proper management for the benefit of future generations. Further, the Commission urges all citizens to take part in Louisiana's National Hunting and Fishing Day activities on September 26, 1992 to learn more about conservation and outdoor skills.

James H. Jenkins, Jr., Chairman Louisiana Wildlife & Fisheries Commission Joe L. Herring, Secretary Louisiana Department of Wildlife & Fisheries

The next item discussed by Mr. Al Carver was the NRA Youth Hunter Education Challenge at Raton, New Mexico. There were three teams representing Louisiana from Jeanerette, Terrebonne Parish and Caddo/Bossier Parishes. At this point, Mr. Carver showed a video on portions of the activities and the awards ceremony. Also mentioned was that Louisiana took more first places and had more recognition than any of the other 16 states or provinces of Canada.

One of the most outstanding awards presented was the Sportsmanship Award to Louisiana.

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Chairman Jenkins introduced and welcomed the newest member of the Commission, Mr. Perry Gisclair.

Chairman Jenkins called for a motion for approval of the July 23, 1992, Special Commission Minutes. A motion for approval was made by Commissioner Vujnovich and seconded by Commissioner Pol. The motion passed unanimously.

An Emergency Declaration on the September Teal and Other Migratory Bird Hunting Seasons for 1992-93 was requested by Dave Morrison. Mr. Morrison requested the Commission to formally adopt the dates for the 1992-93 season. The dove season, which will be a split season, will run September 5 through September 13, October 10 through November 8 and December 12 through January 11, daily bag limit of 12, possession limit of 24. Commissioner Jones mentioned last year's season of 60 days with 15 bird bag limit and asked if discussion on the consideration of adopting the same season could be done at this meeting. Mr. Morrison explained that these dates have already been forwarded to the Fish and Wildlife Service based on the vote made at the previous Commission Meeting and they also have been listed in the 1992-93 Hunting Regulations Pamphlet. Commissioner Jones requested a brief history of what happened last Mr. Morrison stated the change for a 60 day season with 15 bird bag limit was adopted as a tentative season date in July of last year and the formal adoption was made in August. Bateman told how the framework information is presented to the Commission each year and how this was presented last year and the action the Commission took on changing the season for doves. Bateman assured that a better job will be done in the future on action to be taken regarding the migratory game bird hunting Commissioner Jones asked several questions regarding the average number of hunting days for dove hunters; how many hunt more days than the average. Commissioner Jones also mentioned that he had spoken with a number of hunters in his area and asked what option they would prefer in hunting doves.

Chairman Jenkins asked for comments from the audience. Mr. Jesse Fontenot, a duck hunter and fishermen, asked if the limit on ducks could be a quota like what has been done with the speckled trout. Chairman Jenkins asked if the state could be split and have different time frames for each split.

Mr. Morrison continued the discussion with the teal season, September 19 through September 27, daily bag limit of 4, possession limit of 28, blue-wing, green-wing and cinnamon teal only. Both a federal and state waterfowl stamp will be required. The rail split season will be September 19 through September 27 and November 21 through January 20. Daily bag limit on King and Clapper will be 15 with a possession limit of 30; and on Sora and Virginia, the

daily bag and possession limits will be 25 in aggregate. A split season is being recommended on gallinules of September 19 through September 27 and November 21 through January 20 with daily bag limit of 15 and possession limit of 30. Snipe season will be from November 7 through February 21; bag limit of 8 and possession limit of 16. The woodcock season will be from November 28 through January 31; daily bag limit of 5 and possession limit of 10. The shooting hours have changed since the last Commission Meeting. They are as follows: for teal, rail, gallinule, snipe and woodcock one-half hour before sunrise to sunset; and for dove one-half hour before sunrise to sunset except on opening weekend of each split where shooting hours will be noon to sunset. Mr. Morrison reads the "Therefore Be It Resolved" portion of the resolution for adopting these season dates. Commissioner Schneider made a motion to accept the resolution and was seconded by Commissioner Pol. This motion passed unanimously. Commissioner Schneider questioned if stopping the duck season at noon and giving more days was brought up in the Federal parameters.

(The full text of the Declaration of Emergency and Resolution is made a part of the record.)

# DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

In accordance with the emergency provision of R.S. 49:953(B) of the Administrative Procedure Act, and under the authority of R.S. 56:115, the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby adopt the following Emergency Rule:

The hunting seasons for Dove, Teal, Rail, Gallinules, Snipe, and Woodcock during the 1992-93 hunting season shall be as follows:

#### MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS

DOVES: SPLIT SEASON, STATEWIDE, 70 Days

September 5-13 October 10 - November 8 December 12 - January 11

Daily bag 12, possession

24

TEAL SEASON:

September 19-27

Daily bag 4; possession 8, Blue-winged, Green-winged and Cinnamon Teal only. Federal and state waterfowl stamp required.

RAILS: SPLIT SEASON ...

September 19-27

November 21 - January 20

King and Clapper: Daily bag 15 in the

aggregate; possession 30.

Sora and Virginia: Daily bag and possession

25 in aggregate.

GALLINULES: SPLIT SEASON

September 19-27 Daily bag 15, possession

November 21 - January 20 30.

SNIPE: November 7 - February 21 Daily bag 8, possession 16.

WOODCOCK: November 28 - January 31 Daily bag 5, possession 10.

#### SHOOTING HOURS:

1. Teal, Rail, Gallinule, Snipe and Woodcock - One half hour before sunrise to sunset.

2. Dove - One half hour before sunrise to sunset except on September 5-6, October 10-11 and December 12-13 when shooting hours will be 12:00 noon to sunset.

This Declaration will be in effect beginning at sunrise September 5, 1992 and extend for the duration of the migratory bird seasons listed.

James H. Jenkins, Jr. Chairman

#### RESOLUTION

# WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT

# August 6, 1992

The following was adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission at its regular Commission meeting in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, August 6, 1992.

WHEREAS, Hugh A. Bateman, Administrator of the Game Division, has attended public hearings in Washington, D.C. on early migratory bird regulations, and

WHEREAS, the results of this meeting have been discussed with the

Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, and

- whereas, rules and regulations governing early migratory season framework have been developed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and
- whereas, the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries staff has presented recommendations for early migratory species including season dates, bag limits and shooting hours, and
- whereas, it is the constitutional responsibility of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to establish hunting seasons for early migratory species within the constraints of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service framework, now
- THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that on this date, the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby adopt the attached season dates, bag limits and shooting hours by Declaration of Emergency, and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Declaration of Emergency will be in effect beginning September 5, 1992 and extends through sunset February 21, 1993.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that these dates will be forwarded to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service as regulations set for Louisiana's 1992-93 Migratory Bird Hunting Regulations.

James H. Jenkins, Jr., Chairman Louisiana Wildlife & Fisheries Commission Joe L. Herring, Secretary Louisiana Department of Wildlife & Fisheries

Tentative Dates for Duck and Goose Hunting Seasons, 1992-93, and a Canada Goose Report were discussed by Robert Helm. The first item discussed by Mr. Helm was a slide presentation on the two years of experimental Canada Goose season held in southwest Louisiana. In 1990, a request was made to the Fish & Wildlife Service for a short season on the birds and Louisiana was given a 9 day season in southwest Louisiana. Annual reports have been prepared as part of the agreement for the season. The hunters had to purchase a \$5.00 permit to participate. The first season sold 1400 permits with 86% return response and the second season sold 700 permits with almost a 90% return. Results of the second season most hunting occurred on the weekend and the Friday prior to the weekend; most hunting occurred in Cameron and Vermilion Parishes; 525 hunters actually participated in the hunts and 30% were successful in taking at least one goose. Total harvest for the second season was 256 which represented a 50% reduction in Canada Goose harvest from the previous year. Population surveys

have been taken from the ground by state and federal personnel. Last year, 145 man-days were spent looking for the birds. There were actually 35,000 necks observed and of these 400 were from the arctic and Missouri. This experimental season will continue for one more year. Commissioner Jones inquired about an area that was "x" out and when it could be reinstated. Commissioner Pol requested seeing the statute that would stop the Commission from adding in the area.

Mr. Helm showed the Commissioners a video on the "Status of Ducks - 1992" from the Fish & Wildlife Service. Mr. Hugh Bateman explained the process Fish & Wildlife Service uses to develop the duck and goose seasons. Mr. Helm told the Commission about the good production years in the past and then the low production numbers this year. Mr. Helm also advised that the Fish & Wildlife Service has allowed the framework for the season to extend through January 20 and then proceeded to read the tentative dates for duck and goose season. The west zone for duck season, with a bag limit of 3, will be from November 14 (Saturday) through November 28 (Saturday), December 26 (Saturday) through January 9 (Saturday). The east zone will be from November 21 (Saturday through November 27 (Friday), and December 26 through January 17. The Catahoula Lake season will open November 21 and run through December 20. bag limit for Mergansers is 5 of which only 1 may be a hooded merganser. The possession limit shall be twice the daily bag limit. The statewide goose season of November 14 through December 5, December 19 through February 4, and February 5 through February 14 (this will be a snow goose only season). The experimental Canada Goose season dates are January 20 (Wednesday) through January 28 (Thursday).

Chairman Jenkins asked for questions from the Commission. Commissioner Jones posed a question on format of offering an extra weekend in the split seasons. Commissioner Pol stated he is not satisfied with the dates for the west zone and mentioned the January 20 parameter is not being taken advantage of. Commissioner Pol suggested to Chairman Jenkins that the Hunting Committee meet with the Game Division at 1:00 p.m. Chairman Jenkins concurred and deferred any action on this item until afterwards. Chairman Jenkins asked for comments from the audience and heard none.

A consideration of the Title (Name) Change for Game Division to Wildlife Division was presented to the Commission by Mr. Hugh Bateman. The other state agencies that handle the same type of responsibilities that our Game Division has are referred to as the Wildlife Division and thus requested concurrence of the name change. Commissioner Jones asked if there was any structural change or position changes with the name change. Mr. Bateman reads the "Therefore Be It Resolved" portion of the resolution. Chairman Jenkins asked for a motion to accept the resolution and was made by Commissioner Pol and seconded by Commissioner Gisclair with no opposition.

#### RESOLUTION

Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission August 6, 1992

- whereas, the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission and the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries has a responsibility to oversee Louisiana's fish and wildlife resources, and
- WHEREAS, the Game Division is responsible for the wildlife resources of the state that include both game and non-game, and
- WHEREAS, the Game Division has always been involved with wildlife in Louisiana, and
- WHEREAS, the addition of the Natural Heritage Section further diversifies the Game Division's responsibilities, and
- WHEREAS, in other states the Game Division's counterparts are referred to as the Wildlife Division, and
- WHEREAS, the Wildlife Division will more appropriately portray the activities of the Division, now
- THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that on this date the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby change the name of the Game Division to the Wildlife Division.

James H. Jenkins, Jr., Chairman Louisiana Wildlife & Fisheries Commission Joe L. Herring, Secretary Louisiana Department of Wildlife & Fisheries

Reconsideration of the Spotted Seatrout Management was the next item discussed. Commissioner Mialjevich reminded the Commission that he had several concerns on this topic when it was implemented and also stated he has had several organizations and individuals approach him about the problem they had with the spotted seatrout management plan. Commissioner Mialjevich asked Mr. Jim Bourge to come forward and make his presentation. Mr. Bourge begins by thanking the Commission for their time and then reminds the Commission of the rules and regulations for the Spotted Seatrout Management Measures. He then proceeds to read a petition on behalf of the Lake Pontchartrain Fisherman's Association, the Louisiana Fishermen for Fair Laws, the Terrebonne Fisherman's Organization, the Louisiana Farm Bureau Fish and Trapper Committee,

the Organization of Louisiana Fishermen, and himself. Commissioner Mialjevich asked Mr. Bourge to explain the basis for his petition/ request on statements 1, 2 and 3. In reference to the first statement according to Mr. Bourge, all action by the Commission pertaining to the regulations of a species is to be based on biological data. The Department's biological data said no action or changes were necessary. On points 2 and 3, the Roberts Rules of Order were not followed. Commissioner Mialjevich asked Mr. Bourge what his formal request is, to which Mr. Bourge requested the Commission look at the way this measure was done, look at the biological data (why cut quota down and eliminate weekend fishing?). Commissioner Mialjevich restated Mr. Bourge's request as being to reconsider eliminating the weekend fishing ban and eliminate the quota change. Mr. Bourge also requested the reconsideration of the automatic May 1 closure. Commissioner Mialjevich makes a motion to entertain the request of Mr. Bourge to eliminate the weekend commercial fishing ban, go back to the original quota on the spotted seatrout and disregard the May 1st Hearing no second, the motion died. Commissioner Gisclair reminds Chairman Jenkins that with this being his first meeting, he has questions as far as what took place and requests that this item be placed on the next agenda or another meeting. Chairman Jenkins approved the request and further stated the Legislature wrestled with these same ideas and then finally gave it to the Commission last year. In August of 1991, the Commission started to develop a plan on spotted seatrout with finfish committee meetings being held, a public hearing held, 3 or 4 Commission meetings held, and then to the Oversight, Governor's Office and back to the Commission for final ratification. Commissioner Mialjevich agreed with most of what Chairman Jenkins stated but sides with Mr. Bourge on the issue of biology.

(The full text of the Petition /Request is made a part of the record.)

"Dear Commission Members:

This is a formal request/petition for you to reconsider amending or eliminating your implementation of the <u>Spotted Seatrout Management Measures</u> ratified during your February 1992 Meeting.

The basis for this petition/request is:

- 1. Non-compliance of the mandated policy and standards provisions under Title 56 put in effect by Acts 157 and 708 of the 1991 Regular Legislative Session.
- 2. Non-compliance of the requirements of the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act.

- 3. Non-compliance of Article V, Section 2 of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission's By-Laws.
- 4. Disregard of both state and federal constitutional protection.

Actions to amend or eliminate this <u>Management Plan</u> is immediately needed before any more economic/social hardships and damage is done to the Louisiana commercial fisherman and seafood processors by this blatant injustice."

An Emergency Declaration on the Setting of the 1992-93 Oyster Season was requested by Mr. Ron Dugas, the Department's Oyster Program Manager. Mr. Dugas related that under R.S. 56:433 the Commission is authorized to set the oyster season on the public oyster seed grounds which encompass more than 1 million acres. Mr. Dugas also stated that through their surveys in the Marine Division there is a greater supply than normal. Because of the large supply, the starting date for the oyster season will be September 9, 1992 with two exceptions. The Bay Gardene Oyster Seed Reservation should remain closed this year for this season. 46 of the 1992 Legislative Session mandates that a sacking area be set aside. This area, as determined by the Department, is called the Lower Black Bay area and recommended that it open October 15, ... Also recommendations for Hackberry Bay and Sister Lake to open September 9, 1992 were made. The final area to consider is the Calcasieu which is a tonging area and recommended the opening of October 15, 1992. Commissioner Vujnovich informs that in areas where the oyster had disappeared in previous years, they saw an abundance of oysters and ask the Department to study what was the difference between 3 years ago and this year as far as production Commissioner Vujnovich also recommends concerned. Commission adopt the season as Mr. Dugas proposed. Chairman Jenkins asked for a vote on the Declaration of Emergency and received a unanimous vote with no opposition. Mr. Dugas now read the "Therefore Be It Resolved" portion of the resolution on the 1992-93 oyster season. Chairman Jenkins asked for a vote on the Resolution and received a unanimous vote with no opposition. Commissioner Mialjevich hopes that there will be a better system with the 72 hour notice for the oyster fishermen than what the shrimpers received.

(The full text of the Declaration of Emergency and Resolution is made a part of the record.)

# DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

In accordance with the emergency provisions of the

Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:953(B) and 967, and under the authority of R.S. 56:433 and R.S. 56:535.1, notice is hereby given that the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby declares:

- 1. The Public Oyster Seed Grounds not currently under lease, and the Hackberry Bay, and Sister Lake Oyster Seed Reservations will open one-half hour before sunrise September 9, 1992. The exception will be the sacking area east of the Mississippi River.
- 2. The Bay Junop and Bay Gardene Oyster Seed Reservation will remain closed during the 1992/93 oyster season.
- 3. There will be an area on the Public Grounds east of the Mississippi River in the Lower Black Bay area set aside for sacking as prescribed by Act 46 of the 1992 Legislative Session. This area will open one-half hour before sunrise October 15, 1992.
- 4. The Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is authorized to take emergency action if necessary, to close areas if oyster mortalities are occurring or to delay the season or close areas where significant spat catch has occurred with good probability of survival, or where it is found that there are excessive amounts of shell in seed oyster loads.
- 5. The Secretary is authorized to take emergency action to reopen areas previously closed if the threat to the resource subsides.
- 6. Oysters taken from the Public Oyster Seed Grounds or the Oyster Seed Reservations for bedding will not be allowed in sacks or any other type container.
- 7. The Calcasieu and Sabine Lake Tonging areas will open one-half hour before sunrise on October 15, 1992 and remain open until one-half hour after sunset on March 1, 1993, with the Secretary having the authority to extend to compensate for the health closure days.
- 8. Notice of any opening, delaying or closing of a season will be made by public notice at least 72 hours prior to such action.

James H. Jenkins, Jr. Chairman

#### RESOLUTION

- 1992/93 Season on the Public Oyster Grounds Adopted by the
- Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission August 6, 1992
- Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Quail Drive, Baton Rouge, Louisiana
- WHEREAS, R.S. 56:433 provides that the Public Oyster Seed Grounds may be opened on the Wednesday following Labor Day which in 1992 is September 9, and
- whereas, the oyster resources on the "Public Oyster Seed Grounds and Oyster Seed Reservations" have been surveyed and the available supply and size variation has been determined, and
- whereas, it has been a managerial practice to rotate the opening of the season on some of the "Oyster Seed Reservations" when biologically feasible, and
- WHEREAS, the "Bay Junop, Hackberry Bay and the Bay Gardene Oyster Seed Reservation" were open during the 91/92 oyster season, and
- WHEREAS, Act #46 of the 1992 Legislative Session changed R.S. 56:433B to mandate a sacking area only on the Public Grounds east of the Mississippi River inclusive of Plaquemines and St. Bernard Parishes, now
- THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the "Louisiana Public Oyster Seed Grounds", and the "Hackberry Bay and Sister Lake Oyster Seed Reservations" not currently under lease will open one-half hour before sunrise on September 9, 1992, and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the "Bay Gardene and Bay Junop Oyster Seed Reservations" will remain closed during the 1992/93 oyster season, and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the area generally described in the enclosed map and generally called "Lower Black Bay" will be set aside as a sacking area only and will not open until one-half hour before sunrise October 15, 1992, and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is authorized to take emergency action if necessary, to close areas if oyster mortalities are occurring or to delay the season or close areas where significant spat catch has occurred with good probability of survival, or where it is found that there are

excessive amounts of shell in seed oyster loads, and

- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary will also have the authority to take emergency action to reopen areas previously closed if the threat to the resource has ended, and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that oysters for bedding purposes will not be allowed in sacks or any other type container, and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the season for the Calcasieu and Sabine Lake tonging areas will open one-half hour before sunrise on October 15, 1992 and remain open until one-half hour after sunset on March 1, 1993, with the Secretary having the authority to extend to compensate for the health closure days, and
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** notice of any opening, delaying or closing of a season will be made by public notice at least 72 hours prior to such action.

James H. Jenkins, Jr., Chairman Louisiana Wildlife & Fisheries Commission Joe L. Herring, Secretary Louisiana Department of Wildlife & Fisheries

Mr. Karl Turner began his report on the Seafood Promotion & Marketing Board Program Activities for 1991-92 by passing out a kit of materials. Within the packet is the 1992-93 Marketing Plan; and half-page ads which will appear in a Food Arts magazine. Next, Mr. Turner showed a video of commercials on fish, crabs, oysters, shrimp, seafood combo, the oyster industry, shrimp at Christmas and the Louisiana Seafood Commercial Fishermen that are shown across the state during the news program. One of the programs that the Seafood Promotion & Marketing Board will be doing this year is a special oyster menu merchandising program in order to promote a positive attitude for oysters. The filming of the opening of the shrimp season for a promotion of the shrimp industry to be "the premium tasting shrimp in the world" was the basis behind using the Department's plane. Also included in the packet was a cookbook which was sponsored through the 4-H Foundation and LSU for children to participate in a seafood cooking contest. Chairman Jenkins asked how many full time, permanent employees are in the Marketing Board and what is the Boards bank balance. Commissioner Jones asked Mr. Turner who helps with the media buys, production of commercials, what is the process of selecting advertisers and about participation in trade shows. Mr. Turner advised the Commission, that for budget purposes, the Board is considering alternatives to expand the budget and also advises the Board will be working with the Department of Tourism this year.

Chairman Jenkins returned the attention to the tentative dates

for Duck and Goose Hunting Seasons, 1992-93 after a Hunting Meeting was held. Regulations Committee At this Commissioner Pol makes the following recommended dates: ducks and coots, (which is closed on canvasback), in the west zone (30 days) to be November 21 (Saturday) through December 5 (Saturday) and December 26 through January 9. In the east zone, (30 days) the dates will be from November 21 (Saturday) through November 27 (Friday) and December 26 (Saturday) through January 17 (Sunday). The Catahoula Lake zone (30 days) will begin on November 21 (Saturday) to December 20 (Sunday). The daily bag limit is a 3 duck limit, 6 ducks in possession with no more than 2 mallards, no more than 1 of which may be female, 1 black duck, 2 wood ducks, 1 pintail and 1 redhead. The daily bag limit on coots is 15. For mergansers, the daily bag limit is 5 of which only 1 may be a The merganser limits are in addition to the hooded merganser. daily bag limit for ducks. The possession limit on ducks, coots and mergansers is twice the daily bag limit. The goose season, which does not include the experimental Canada Goose Season, will be November 21 through December 12, December 19 through February 4 and February 5 through February 14. The daily bag limit is 7 in the aggregate of blue, snow and white-fronted geese of which not more than 2 may be white-fronted. During the last 10 days, February 5 through February 14, only blue and snow geese may be taken. During the experimental Canada Goose Season, the daily bag limit for Canada and white-fronted geese is 2, of which not more than 1 can be a Canada goose; possession limit is twice daily bag limit. Commissioner Pol made a motion that these dates be accepted and was seconded by Commissioner Jones. Commissioner Mialjevich asked why only the dates in the west zone were changed. Jenkins asked for comments from the audience with none being heard. The motion passed with no opposition from the Commissioners.

(The full text of the Resolution is made a part of the record.)

#### RESOLUTION

Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries August 6, 1992

The following was adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission at its regular Commission Meeting in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, August 6, 1992.

WHEREAS, Hugh A. Bateman, Administrator of the Game Division has attended status meetings and public hearings in Washington, D.C. on waterfowl, including ducks, coots, and geese, and

WHEREAS, the results of this meeting have been discussed with the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, and

- WHEREAS, rules and regulations governing waterfowl season framework have been developed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and
- WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries staff has presented recommendations for waterfowl including season dates, bag limits and shooting hours, and
- WHEREAS, it is the constitutional responsibility of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to establish hunting seasons for waterfowl within the constraints of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service framework, now
- THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that on this date, the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby tentatively adopt the attached season dates, bag limits and shooting hours, and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that these tentative dates will be ratified by Declaration of Emergency at the September meeting unless significant changes are mandated by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that these dates will be forwarded to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service as regulations set for Louisiana's 1992-93 Migratory Bird Hunting Regulations.

James H. Jenkins, Jr., Chairman Louisiana Wildlife & Fisheries Commission

Joe L. Herring, Secretary
Louisiana Department of Wildlife
& Fisheries

An Emergency Declaration for the Setting of the 1992 Fall Inshore Shrimp Season was presented by Mr. John Roussel by reading the entire resolution which explains the reasons for proposing the season as such. Chairman Jenkins asked for questions from the Commission. Commissioner Mialjevich inquired why the season should open on a different date in Zone III. Mr. Roussel explains that historically the white shrimp migrate offshore in mid-August and to provide the shrimpers the opportunity to catch these shrimp; also the shrimp will be of marketable size at this time. Commissioner Mialjevich further asked if the Department had received complaints for opening the season too late and the outlook for the white shrimp season.

Chairman Jenkins asked for comments from the audience. Mr. Roland Trosclair from Cameron thanked the Department for the extra 8 day butterfly season in the spring and asked for the August 10th opening date. Chairman Jenkins asked for a motion to accept the resolution as stated. Commissioner Gisclair made a motion and was seconded by Commissioner Jones with no opposition.

(The full text of the Resolution and Declaration of Emergency is made a part of the record.)

#### RESOLUTION

1992 Fall Inshore Shrimp Season
Adopted by the
Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission
August 6, 1992 - Baton Rouge, Louisiana

- WHEREAS, R.S. 56:497 authorizes the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to set no less than two shrimp seasons each calendar year for all inside waters by zone, and
- WHEREAS, R.S. 56:497 states the shrimp seasons shall be based on biological and technical data which indicates that marketable shrimp are available, and
- WHEREAS, R.S. 56:498 provides the minimum legal count on white shrimp is 100 (whole shrimp) count per pound, except during the time period from October fifteenth through the third Monday in December when there shall be no count, and
- WHEREAS, historically the Fall Inshore "White" Shrimp Season opened on the third Monday in August, and
- whereas, historical and current biological sampling conducted by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries has indicated that white shrimp in all inshore shrimp zones will average 100 count minimum size or larger by mid August, and
- whereas, historical data for Calcasieu Lake (Zone III) indicates that white shrimp migrate from inshore to offshore waters in many years prior to the third week in August, while white shrimp in Zones I and II tend to remain inshore until late August, and
- WHEREAS, in 1992 the third Monday in August will be August 17.
- THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby set the 1992 Fall Inshore "White" Shrimp Season by public notice in accordance with R.S. 56:497, to open in Shrimp Management Zone III at 6:00 a.m. on Monday, August 10, 1992 and in Shrimp Management Zones I and II at 6:00 a.m. on Monday, August 17, 1992.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby authorize the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries to close the 1992 Fall Inshore

"White" Shrimp Season in any area or zone when biological and technical data indicates the need to do so.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a Declaration of Emergency setting the 1992 Fall Inshore "White" Shrimp Season is attached to and made a part of this resolution.

James H. Jenkins, Jr., Chairman Louisiana Wildlife & Fisheries Commission Joe L. Herring, Secretary
Louisiana Department of Wildlife
& Fisheries

### DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

In accordance with the emergency provisions of R.S. 49:967 which allows the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to use emergency procedures to set shrimp seasons and R.S. 56:497 which provides that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission shall fix no less than two open seasons each year for all inside waters. The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby set the 1992 Fall Inshore Shrimp Season to open in Shrimp Management Zones I and II at 6:00 a.m. on Monday, August 17, 1992 and in Shrimp Management Zone III at 6:00 a.m. on Monday, August 10, 1992. The Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is also hereby authorized to close the 1992 Fall Inshore Shrimp Season in any area or zone when biological and technical data indicates the need to do so.

James H. Jenkins, Jr. Chairman

A discussion on the Catfish Locks Operational Procedures was initiated by Mr. Corky Perret after he and Chairman Jenkins attended a Gulf Council Meeting. The Council requested their position on this issue. Mr. Perret explained that we try to get the locks open when juvenile marine organisms are at high numbers during the summer and then introduced Mr. Dudley Carver who will provide a brief background on the subject. Mr. Carver began by providing a brief history of the Department's involvement with the management of Grand Lake (Cameron Parish) and White Lake (Vermilion Parish). These lakes had a history of marine production until the Corps of Engineers constructed locks at Catfish Point and Schooner These locks were authorized to conserve freshwater by maintaining normal lake levels and preventing uncontrolled tidal In 1972, the fishermen requested the Corps of Engineers, this Department, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, National Marine Fisheries Service get together and work out a management plan of letting marine organisms ingress into the lakes. When the marine organisms would appear at the structure, the Corps would open the

gates for 15 minutes. The last opening of the gates for Schooner Bayou was August of 1986 because of saltwater intrusion and this was discontinued. Up until August 18, 1988, Department personnel would take samples from the Grand Lake area; and upon seeing marine organisms in the area, the Department would telephone the Corps office for them to open the locks. One of the major criteria for opening the gates is the salinity level which could affect the agricultural farmers. In the two systems, there had been over a million pounds of production which included crabs, shrimp, finfish and menhaden production. In 1988, the people associated with these locks wanted a more definite plan which involved working with the inside versus the outside gauge readings. After a ten year extensive study, the Corps presented a proposal to put a by-pass structure around the Catfish Locks which would consist of four 4 x 4 gates of which one would be open at all times and the other A sufficient cost benefit ratio could not three would be gated. be generated for this proposal so the Corps backed off and now has presented another proposal of a one foot wide opening of one gate during periods when usually closed. The Department felt that the by-pass structure would be the best for the marine resources because the Corps advised that there would be no impact on the salinity regime within the Lake. The Department samples are taken from April until the opening of the White Shrimp Season in August and then reports the data. This year there had been one time where there were marine organisms present that they could not open the system and other times, they opened the system as much as they could.

Commissioner Mialjevich asked if the Lake Arthur area's decline in shrimp over the last number of years was because of the way the locks were being operated. Commissioner Mialjevich also wanted to know if the 4 x 4 structure would help the marine production in White Lake and where the structure would be placed. Mr. Carver reminded Commissioner Mialjevich that the 4 x 4 structure proposal had been dropped and that now there is a proposal for a one foot opening. Commissioner Mialjevich requested what the one foot opening would be as far as the water depth level is.

An Update on the Shrimp Plan was next presented by Mr. Corky Perret. Mr. Perret began by discussing a status report on the activities of the Shrimp Task Force which held a meeting last week. Action taken at this meeting dealt with resolutions passed by the House and Senate relative to the territorial sea waters such that should these waters be opened and/or closed by Commission action or should the Legislature handle it. The Task Force recommended this should be left for the Commission to handle. Discussion occurred relating to sanctuaries or the possibility of such, problems with these and more discussion will occur at the next Task Force meeting which is scheduled for the 26th of next month.

Mr. Perret continued his discussion by stating a letter was

received by the Department and the Commission relative to problem areas where crab traps and shrimp trawlers are operating in the same areas. This issue will be looked at by the Shrimp Task Force and also the Crab Task Force. The licensing system for shrimp vessels, gear and etc. is also being addressed by the License Section and the Shrimp Task Force.

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In reference to the Shrimp Management Plan, Mr. Perret advised that sections on the biological portion and yield models have been written and the stocks involved and description of the stocks have been completed. The legal portion, history of management, the existing management measures and the economic analysis have been completed. Work is still being done on the yield, the executive summary and the management regime sections. Public hearing(s) may be held next month and also may want to have a Commission Committee on Oyster & Shrimp Meeting. Mr. Perret hoped to have a plan for the Commission to look at prior to the end of the year.

Chairman Jenkins asked if the by-catch issue was being addressed in this Plan and is the Shrimp Task Force addressing this also. Mr. Perret forewarned he saw an article in the Federal Register concerning TED's with the comment period closing on the 29th of July and something on TED's may be coming down in October from Washington. Commissioner Mialjevich advised he had a letter from the Center for Marine Conservation which stated a lawsuit would be promulgated if TED's are not instituted for inside waters in trawls by August 31 of this year. Mr. Perret mentioned that he attended a public hearing where some of the fishermen are accusing the National Marine Fisheries Service of putting them out of business and then another group will sue if this is not implemented.

Commissioner Gisclair asked if proxies could not be used when referring to the Shrimp Task Force. Commissioner Mialjevich requested information, in general, of what occurred at the last Shrimp Task Force, wondered what parameters are being looked at on the by-catch and the use and catch of skimmers versus trawls.

An Update on Civil Restitutions was given by Ms. Wynnette Kees. The collections of Civil Restitutions for last month was approximately \$8,000 and a written report would be provided starting next month listing cumulative and monthly figures, total amounts billed out, total amounts paid, and the money from the sale of the goods confiscated by Enforcement Agents. Commissioner Jones asked about the redfish case and was advised a second letter went out on July 8 and the next step being to turn him over to the attorney. Commissioner Jones also requested the attorney who has been helping with the collections to join Ms. Kees at the next Commission Meeting. Chairman Jenkins referred to a brown pelican egg case and asked where it was. He was advised that it was a Federal case. Commissioner Jones asked if letters for civil restitutions were sent on the reported fish kills from last year,

wanted to know why these have not been cited, requested copies of correspondence concerning this and further requested an update on this issue for next month. Chairman Jenkins asked Mr. Mike Landrum about the brown pelican egg case and requested this be looked into and report back. Commissioner Mialjevich asked if, in the reports that are going to be provided, there will be a breakdown telling where the fines are coming from.

The District Attorney's Report was offered by Mr. Clyde Kimball. In this report, the totals by parish are broken down into the number of citations, and type of violation. Mr. Kimball states that they have very little information and that some cases are not disposed of for a year or maybe even two years. In receiving the dispositions, the lag time could be a year or even more. Chairman Jenkins questioned about the report provided and, as an example, Lafourche Parish and Plaquemines Parish what the different columns represented; and if there was any year-to-date information. Mr. Al Brown from the Computer Center explained how the programming works and informs that a monthly report could be provided. Chairman Jenkins stated that the report needs to be made quarterly and annually.

The Monthly Law Enforcement Report for July was given by Colonel Winton Vidrine. The following number of citations were issued during the month of July.

Region I - Minden - 96 citations.

Region II - Monroe - 148 citations.

Region III - Alexandria - 192 citations.

Region IV - Ferriday - 196 citations.

Region V - Lake Charles - 317 citations.

Region VI - Opelousas - 249 citations.

Region VII - Baton Rouge - 449 citations.

Region VIII - New Orleans - 361 citations.

Region IX - Thibodaux - 387 citations.

The Oyster Strike Force issued 77 citations and 26 citations were issued by SWEP. A Special Strike Force, which consists of 12 agents thus far, issued 170 citations.

Commissioner Pol asked Colonel Vidrine what happens with all the confiscated speckled trout, crabs and oysters. Chairman Jenkins presented a hypothetical question relating to an individual that was under his camp and an alligator grabbed hold of him, would he have been given a ticket?

Commissioner Mialjevich asked what the citations would be for the confiscation of shrimp by the offshore boats. Commissioner Jones asked why wait until former Commissioner McCall was gone before confiscating 40,000 pounds of undersized crabs by the boats that he questioned every month?

The grand total of citations issued statewide for the month of July was 2,901 citations which was probably one of the largest months.

The Shell Mitigation Update was next discussed by Mrs. Karen Foote. There has been placed about 10,500 cubic yards of mitigation shell to date. The present shell dredging lease has produced approximately 150,000 cubic yards, and of this, the Lessees owes approximately less than 1,500 cubic yards of mitigation. There is a plan to place this at Marsh Island at the end of the year. The Department has a dynamic list of shell needs; of which Queen Bess Island was first and this has been taken care of. Marsh Island is now our top priority. Chairman Jenkins requests to know about the legal side of shell mitigation, but this will continue later.

An Update on the Inshore Artificial Reef Program by Mr. Rick Kasprzak. The Inshore Reef Development is tied in with recovering the mitigation shell from the shell industry. This program began with the offshore phase where oil and gas platforms are used. request came from the Commission and others to accelerate the inshore program and this came about with the use of mitigation The first thing accomplished was to identify what shell. structures already existed and found over 6,000 items that could act as artificial reefs. Mr. Kasprzak now showed slides of the first development of an inshore shell pad in the Vermilion Bay area; where platforms already are; the barges, drag lines and tugs used in deploying the pads. One of the key problems we are having is no method of transportation for the materials. Chairman Jenkins asked about the progress with the offshore program; whether Wallop-Breaux funds can be used in the inshore plan; and if the removal of structures inshore are occurring or had it stopped.

Commissioner Mialjevich asked if the waterbottom is being raised with the reef in inshore waters. Mr. Jesse Fontenot questioned what reefs were in the Atchafalaya.

Discussion continued on shell mitigation from a legal side by Mr. Don Puckett. A tentative agreement with Louisiana Materials and Louisiana Dredging for 15,000 cubic yards and looking at other legal action against the other companies. Commissioner Schneider asked exactly what did looking at other legal action mean.

The Aircraft Report was addressed by Mr. Lee Caubarreaux. In

the Commissioner's packet was a copy of the June 1992 Aviation Report and the Department's Aircraft Policy which was revised July The report lists a total of 47.4 hours of flight time. This report was compiled by Chief Pilot Gene Rackle and he explains that 3 planes were down for maintenance, and the remainder of the aircraft did the majority of the flying. Chairman Jenkins inquired about the number of airplanes the Department has, discussed the number of hours flown by each pilot. Commissioner Jones asked about Mr. Danny Clause and if he is a full time pilot. Chairman Jenkins and Commissioner Jones continued inquiring about the flights flown in each plane; needing a better description for the destination and purposes; the flights flown for the Department of Natural Resources and the cost we charge to DNR; and then inquired if the job could still be done with less than 6 airplanes. Rackle reminded the Commission that the Cessna 180 Float Plane and the Partenavia are special use airplanes. Chairman Jenkins asked if, on the Cessna, will the Deed of Donation allow for any other use than for Fur & Refuge projects and requested reporting back the legal staff's findings. Chairman Jenkins asked if Mr. Mike Windham was a pilot for the Department. Mr. Rackle added that the Partenavia is a special use airplane also. Commissioner Jones mentions that we need to spend our money wisely.

To continue this discussion, Chairman Jenkins proposed and read a resolution for the Commission to consider on the aircraft policy. Then Chairman Jenkins made a motion to consider the policy and was seconded by Commissioner Jones. Commissioner Mialjevich mentioned that comparing the Commission's policy with the Department's policy, there is no great discrepancies until #'s 10 and 11 on the Commission's policy and asked for the Department's opinion regarding the Commission's policy. Secretary Herring informed the Commission that the Department held a meeting with all the pilots and they seemed to have worked out a good plan with no problems developing thus far. Secretary Herring complimented the pilots and the people in charge of this program.

Commissioner Mialjevich stated that he felt the Commission is getting too involved in the day to day operations of the Department. Commissioner Mialjevich stated he has to speak against the motion.

Commissioner Gisclair inquired if there has been an attempt to work out the differences between the Department and the Commission. Chairman Jenkins explained to Commissioner Gisclair what has transpired over the past 3 to 4 years with regard to the airplanes. Commissioner Gisclair wanted to know if, since the last meeting, it has been given a chance to work. Chairman Jenkins wondered what does the Department need airplanes for anyway. He further stated that the float planes and the amphibian could be used for all the Department work and even goes into a brief history of how the airplanes were used in the past. Secretary Herring agreed with Chairman Jenkins that enforcement is important for the

Department, but there are a lot of things that are not discussed regarding the use of the airplanes such as the revenues brought in by the use of the airplanes.

Commissioner Pol suggested Chairman Jenkins and Secretary Herring meet over the next few days and iron out the problems with #'s 9, 10 and 11 on the Commission's policy. Chairman Jenkins stated that he has tried to do this and has held meetings but said he is worn out. Commissioner Pol directed Mr. Caubarreaux to get the 2 airplanes in question checked and see what their worth is. Chairman Jenkins reminded Commissioner Pol the example of \$50,000 being spent to repair the Commander, the \$3,000 for a wing inspection, then giving the airplane to the Attorney General and now, after getting it back, wanting to sell the airplane. Commissioner Pol would like to see this issue brought to a conclusion and requested to Chairman Jenkins that he make one more try with Secretary Herring, and then after that, vote on the policy. Chairman Jenkins and Secretary Herring agreed to try one more time to work this issue out.

Secretary Herring reiterated that the repairs referenced above were made under the last administration and agreed that we do not need a transportation plane. He also expressed that if a recommendation needs to be made to get rid of a plane, it would be the one on loan to the Attorney General's office. Commissioner Pol requested Secretary Herring direct Mr. Caubarreaux to have an appraisal done on the AeroCommander, the Partenavia, the 210 and get a corrosion inspection before the next meeting. Mr. Caubarreaux agreed to the request and allowed Mr. Rackle to explain the prerequisites needed before attempting to sell the Commander. Chairman Jenkins agreed to withdraw his motion on the Commission's Aircraft policy and would put this item on the agenda for the next Commission Meeting.

(The full text of the Resolution is made a part of the record.)

### LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

#### RESOLUTION

# August 6, 1992

WHEREAS, pursuant to its general policy making authority and particularly LA. R.S. 56:2 the Commission desires to establish its own written policy regarding the utilization of Wildlife and Fisheries aircraft, and

WHEREAS, the Commission feels that the best utilization of department aircraft to the maximum extent of their capabilities can be achieved through the enactment of such a policy, and

- whereas, the Commission is of the opinion that the proposed policy of the Commission will result in increased Enforcement utilization of department aircraft and thereby, enforcement of wildlife laws will be enhanced, and
- whereas, the Commission is of the opinion that the proposed policy of the Commission will create a safer flying environment for the utilization of Wildlife and Fisheries aircraft.
- THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that this Commission does hereby adopt the following:

#### WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES AIRCRAFT POLICY

- 1. Wildlife and Fisheries aircraft shall be used by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries solely in the conduct of its business. Personal use is prohibited. Any passenger who is not a Department employee or Commission member must have approval of the Secretary, or the flight officer, before the flight.
- 2. Flight operations shall be governed by the following priority:
  - a. Safety
  - b. Highest quality of service
  - c. Economy

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- 3. All flight operations shall be conducted according to applicable FAA regulations, aircraft and engine manuals, insurance provisions, policies of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and directives from the Chief Pilot.
- 4. The Secretary or his designated flight officer shall be responsible for operational and financial control of Department aircraft. Safety requires the designated pilot have final flight authority. However, no active thunderstorm penetration is permitted. No passenger shall have final flight authority.
- 5. A Chief Pilot shall be designated from the pilots on staff.
- 6. The Chief Pilot shall report to the flight officer, and is responsible for the training and scheduling of pilots and other personnel assigned to him, as well as maintenance, care and administration of the aircraft. He shall submit a monthly summary of activity for each aircraft to the flight officer.

- 7. All flight personnel shall maintain the highest personal standards and conduct themselves accordingly when on duty. The use of alcohol and/or controlled substances (other than prescription) is strictly forbidden and shall be cause for dismissal.
- 8. The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries discourages the use of its aircraft by other governmental agencies. If other agency use does occur, that agency must have approval of the Secretary or the flight officer and will be charged the usual public aircraft charter rate for the aircraft used. Every effort will be made to collect these charges in a timely manner.
- 9. All float equipped aircraft shall be assigned to and utilized by the enforcement division on a daily basis with the understanding that other divisions shall have access to these aircraft on a preapproved and scheduled basis. The aircraft will be stationed strategically across the state to insure quick response and minimum flying time to cover all state coastal water.
- 10. Department pilots whose job classification are such shall be assigned to fly all aircraft. Other Department personnel, even though licensed and qualified will not be allowed "pilot privilege" without written approval of the Chief Pilot and the Secretary.
- 11. The Department will not own more aircraft than it employs active and qualified pilots.

#### APPROVED:

James H. Jenkins, Jr., Chairman Louisiana Wildlife & Fisheries Commission Joe L. Herring, Secretary Louisiana Department of Wildlife & Fisheries

Secretary's Report to the Commission was made by Mr. Joe Herring. He began his report by thanking Al Carver for his report on the educational program in New Mexico. During the Grand Isle Tarpon Rodeo, the Department of the Interior presented a plaque for the reefs program and explained the maps that are being developed showing the reefs in the Gulf. An article was done by Mr. Joe Macaluso on the Department leasing some of the Barrier Islands from Louisiana Land & Exploration for refuge purposes. Fish stockings that occurred during the month were 10,000 Florida bass in several lakes; 668,058 striped bass fingerlings in Toledo Bend and other reservoirs; another 185,934 striped bass fingerlings in Calcasieu

River system; 194,927 catfish were stocked; and a total of 3,130 acres of water hyacinths were sprayed.

The November Meeting Date was set for Thursday, November 5, 1992 and will be held at the Baton Rouge office in the Louisiana Room starting at 10:00 a.m.

Chairman Jenkins asked for Public Comments. Mrs. Doris Falkenheiner began by explaining the Louisiana Audubon Council. One of the high priorities for the Council was the continuation of the Natural Heritage Non-Game and Scenic Rivers Programs and the Habitat Conservation Division. Senate Resolution 52 and House Resolution 52 were passed which encouraged the continuation of the Habitat Conservation Division. Mrs. Falkenheiner requested, if appropriate, for the Commission to pass a resolution encouraging the Secretary to reinstate the Habitat Conservation Division and reassign the programs to it.

Mr. Allen Agant, represented shrimpers in St. Bernard Parish, spoke against the bait shrimpers. They felt the bait shrimpers are harming the white shrimp season. Mr. Agant revealed how the bait shrimpers are harming the white shrimp. Chairman Jenkins tried to understand how the bait permit system worked and what the rule that authorized this permit was. Mr. John Roussel from the Marine Division, explained the main aspects of the bait permit system. Chairman Jenkins asked Mr. Agant if, as he understood his complaint, the people with permits are selling the shrimp as shrimp and not as bait shrimp and felt this was an enforcement problem. Mr. Agant felt it is too hard to police the area and knew that there has not been a good white shrimp season in their area. Chairman Jenkins asked Mr. Roussel if there were any white shrimp in the St. Bernard Parish area. Commissioner Pol stated that if they know who the people are, why not call and report them. Commissioner Mialjevich requested the number of pounds the bait shrimpers are allowed to catch per day, the carrying capacity of one of these boats and is this issue important enough to be put on the agenda for the next meeting. Chairman Jenkins asked Mr. Roussel to make some recommendations for the next meeting and suggests to Mr. Agant that he talk to enforcement. Jenkins agreed to have this on the agenda for the next Commission meeting.

Commissioner Mialjevich, with Commissioner Gisclair's concurrence, requested the spotted seatrout issue be put on the agenda for September and requested Chairman Jenkins to give a rationale on the Commission's resolution versus the Department's policy, what changes are needed and the benefit of the changes. Chairman Jenkins replied he would talk to him after the meeting on the airplanes.

Chairman Jenkins asked for any further comments and with receiving none adjourned the meeting.

Joe L. Herring Secretary

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#### LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

August 6, 1992

Chairman James H. Jenkins, Jr. presiding.

Thursday, August 6, 1992

Bert Jones
Perry Gisclair
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Warren Pol
Jeff Schneider
Pete Vujnovich

Secretary Joe L. Herring was also present.

Chairman Jenkins called for a motion for approval of the July 7, 1992, Commission Minutes. A motion for approval was made by Commissioner Vujnovich and seconded by Commissioner Pol. The motion passed unanimously.

A resolution for Louisiana National Hunting and Fishing Day was presented by Mr. Al Carver. Mr. Carver read the "Therefore Be It Resolved" portion of the resolution. The resolution passed the Commission unanimously.

(The full text of the Resolution is made a part of the record.)

#### RESOLUTION

Wildlife and Fisheries Commission Wildlife and Fisheries Department

August 6, 1992

The following was adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission at its regular Commission meeting in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, August 6, 1992.

- whereas, because of the outstanding contributions that America's hunters and fishermen have made to conservation, recreation and the economy, they are deserving of special recognition, and
- whereas, since the turn of the century, hunters and anglers have been the leaders in nearly all major conservation programs. These sportsmen-conservationists are responsible for the funding of state fish and game

departments in all fifty states. They asked that they, themselves, be required to buy licenses and that the money collected be used to support state conservation agencies. In the last fifty years alone, these sportsmen have provided \$2.5 billion for conservation programs, and

- whereas, hunters and fishermen asked for the establishment of regulated seasons and bag limits so that sportsmen could harvest the annual crop of game and fish without damage to the basic breeding population. The result has been that there are now more deer, elk, antelope and wild turkey in the United States than there were fifty years ago. Further, sportsmen's programs have benefitted numerous species of non-game fish and wildlife through habitat development, and
- whereas, hunters and fishermen, unique in all America, asked that their fishing and hunting equipment be taxed and that the money be used for land acquisition, research and habitat management for fish and wildlife for the enjoyment of all Americans, and
- whereas, through their publications and organizations such as the National Wildlife Federation, Ducks Unlimited, Izaak Walton League of America and many others, hunters and fishermen have led the nation in the battle for a better environment and the wise use of our natural resources.
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby proclaims September 26, 1992 as Louisiana's National Hunting and Fishing Day in Louisiana. The Commission urges all of our citizens to join with the sportsmen-conservationists in a rededication to the wise use of our natural resources and their proper management for the benefit of future generations. Further, the Commission urges all citizens to take part in Louisiana's National Hunting and Fishing Day activities on September 26, 1992 to learn more about conservation and outdoor skills.

James H. Jenkins, Jr., Chairman Louisiana Wildlife & Fisheries Commission Joe L. Herring, Secretary Louisiana Department of Wildlife & Fisheries

The next item discussed by Mr. Al Carver was the NRA Youth Hunter Education Challenge at Raton, New Mexico. There were three teams representing Louisiana from Jeanerette, Terrebonne Parish and Caddo/Bossier Parishes. At this point, Mr. Carver showed a video on portions of the activities and the awards ceremony. Also mentioned was Louisiana took more first places and had more recognition than any of the other 16 states or provinces of Canada.

One of the most outstanding awards presented was the Sportsmanship Award to Louisiana.

Chairman Jenkins introduced and welcomed the newest member of the Commission, Mr. Perry Gisclair.

Chairman Jenkins called for a motion for approval of the July 23, 1992, **Special Commission Minutes**. A motion for approval was made by Commissioner Vujnovich and seconded by Commissioner Pol. The motion passed unanimously.

An Emergency Declaration on the September Teal and Other Requeste Migratory Bird Hunting Seasons for 1992-93 was given by Dave Morrison. Mr. Morrison requested the Commission to formally adopt the dates for the 1992-93 season. The dove season, which will be a split season, will run September 5 through September 13, October 10 through November 8 and December 12 through January 11, daily bag limit of 12, possession limit of 24. Commissioner Jones mentioned last year's season of 60 days with 15 bird bag limit and asked if discussion on the consideration of adopting the same season could be done at this meeting. Mr. Morrison explained that these dates have already been forwarded to VFish and Wildlife Service based on the vote made at the previous Commission Meeting and they also have listed in the 1992-93 Hunting Regulations Pamphlet. Commissioner Jones requested a brief history of what happened last year. Mr. Morrison stated the change for a 60 day season with 15 bird bag limit was adopted as a tentative season date in July of last year and the formal adoption was made in August. Mr. Hugh Bateman tells how the framework information is presented to the Commission each year and how this was presented last year and the action the Commission took on changing the season for doves. Bateman assured that a better job will be done in the future on action to be taken regarding the migratory game bird hunting season. Commissioner Jones asked several questions regarding the average number of hunting days for dove hunters; how many hunt more days than the average. Commissioner Jones also mentions that he has spoken with a number of hunters in his area and asked what option they would prefer in hunting doves.

Chairman Jenkins asked for comments from the audience. Mr. Jesse Fontenot, a duck hunter and fishermen, asked if the limit on ducks could be cut in half like what has been done with the speckled trout. Chairman Jenkins asked if the state could be split and have different time frames for each split.

Mr. Morrison continued the discussion with the teal season, September 19 through September 27, daily bag limit of 4, possession limit of 28, blue-wing, green-wing and cinnamon teal only. Both a federal and state waterfowl state will be required. The rail split season will be September 19 through September 27 and November 21 through January 20. Daily bag limit on King and Clapper will be 15 with a possession limit of 30; and on Sora and Virginia, the

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daily bag and possession limits will be 25 in aggregate. A split season is being recommended on gallinules of September 19 through September 27 and November 21 through January 20 with daily bag limit of 15 and possession limit of 30. Snipe season will be from November 7 through February 21; bag limit of 8 and possession limit The woodcock season will be from November 28 through January 31; daily bag limit of 5 and possession limit of 10. shooting hours have changed since the last Commission Meeting. They are as follows: for teal, rail, gallinule, snipe and woodcock one-half hour before sunrise to sunset; and for dove one-half hour before sunrise to sunset except on opening weekend of each split where shooting hours will be noon to sunset. Mr. Morrison reads the "Therefore Be It Resolved" portion of the resolution for adopting these season dates. Commissioner Schneider made a motion to accept the resolution and was seconded by Commissioner Pol. This motion passed unanimously. Commissioner Schneider questioned if whe stopping the duck season at noon and giving more days was brought up in the Federal parameters.

> (The full text of the Declaration of Emergency and Resolution is made a part of the record.)

# DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

In accordance with the emergency provision of R.S. 49:953(B) of the Administrative Procedure Act, and under the authority of R.S. 56:115, the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby adopt the following Emergency Rule:

The hunting seasons for Dove, Teal, Rail, Gallinules, Snipe, and Woodcock during the 1992-93 hunting season shall be as follows:

### MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS

DOVES: SPLIT SEASON, STATEWIDE, 70 Days

> Daily bag 12, possession September 5-13 October 10 - November 8 December 12 - January 11

TEAL SEASON:

September 19-27

Daily bag 4; possession 8, Blue-winged, Green-winged and Cinnamon Teal only. Federal and state waterfowl stamp required.

RAILS: SPLIT SEASON

September 19-27

November 21 - January 20

King and Clapper: Daily bag 15 in the

aggregate; possession 30.

Sora and Virginia: Daily bag and possession

25 in aggregate.

GALLINULES: SPLIT SEASON

September 19-27 Daily bag 15, possession

November 21 - January 20 30.

SNIPE: November 7 - February 21 Daily bag 8, possession 16.

WOODCOCK: November 28 - January 31 Daily bag 5, possession 10.

SHOOTING HOURS:

1. Teal, Rail, Gallinule, Snipe and Woodcock - One half hour before sunrise to sunset.

2. Dove - One half hour before sunrise to sunset except on September 5-6, October 10-11 and December 12-13 when shooting hours will be 12:00 noon to sunset.

This Declaration will be in effect beginning at sunrise September 5, 1992 and extend for the duration of the migratory bird seasons listed.

James H. Jenkins, Jr. Chairman

#### RESOLUTION

# WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT

# August 6, 1992

The following was adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission at its regular Commission meeting in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, August 6, 1992.

WHEREAS, Hugh A. Bateman, Administrator of the Game Division, has attended public hearings in Washington, D.C. on early migratory bird regulations, and

WHEREAS, the results of this meeting have been discussed with the

Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, and

- whereas, rules and regulations governing early migratory season framework have been developed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and
- whereas, the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries staff has presented recommendations for early migratory species including season dates, bag limits and shooting hours, and
- whereas, it is the constitutional responsibility of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to establish hunting seasons for early migratory species within the constraints of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service framework, now
- THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that on this date, the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby adopt the attached season dates, bag limits and shooting hours by Declaration of Emergency, and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Declaration of Emergency will be in effect beginning September 5, 1992 and extends through sunset February 21, 1993.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that these dates will be forwarded to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service as regulations set for Louisiana's 1992-93 Migratory Bird Hunting Regulations.

James H. Jenkins, Jr., Chairman Louisiana Wildlife & Fisheries Commission

Joe L. Herring, Secretary Louisiana Department of Wildlife & Fisheries

Tentative Dates for Duck and Goose Hunting Seasons, 1992-93% and a Canada Goose Report were discussed by Robert Helm. The first item discussed by Mr. Helm was a slide presentation on the two years of experimental Canada Goose season held in southwest In 1990, a request was made to the Fish & Wildlife Louisiana. Service for a short season on the birds and Louisiana was given a 9 day season in southwest Louisiana. Annual reports have been prepared as part of the agreement for the season. The hunters had to purchase a \$5.00 permit to participate. The first season sold 1400 permits with 86% return response and the second season sold 700 permits with almost a 90% return. Results of the second season most hunting occurred on the weekend and the Friday prior to the weekend; most hunting occurred in Cameron and Vermilion Parishes; 525 hunters actually participated in the hunts and 30% were successful in taking at least one goose. Total harvest for the second season was 256 which represented a 50% reduction in Canada Goose harvest from the previous year. Population surveys

have been taken from the ground by state and federal personnel. Last year, 145 man-days was spent looking for the birds. There were actually 35,000 necks observed and of these 400 were from the arctic and Missouri. This experimental season will continue for one more year. Commissioner Jones inquired about an area that was "x" out and when it could be reinstated. Commissioner Pol requested seeing the statute that would stop the Commission from adding in the area.

Mr. Helm showed the Commissioners a video on the "Status of Ducks - 1992" from the Fish & Wildlife Service. Mr. Hugh Bateman explained how the process Fish & Wildlife Service uses to develop the duck and goose seasons. Mr. Helm tolds the Commission about the good production years in the past and then the low production numbers this year. Mr. Helm also advised that the Fish & Wildlife Service has allowed the framework for the season to extend through January 20 and then proceed to read the tentative dates for duck and goose season. The west zone for duck season, with a bag limit of 3, will be from November 14 (Saturday) through November 28 (Saturday), December 26 (Saturday) through January 9 (Saturday). The east zone will be from November 21 (Saturday through November 27 (Friday), and December 26 through January 17. The Catahoula Lake season will open November 21 and run through December 20. bag limit for Mergansers is 5 of which only 1 may be a hooded The possession limit shall be twice the daily bag merganser. limit. The statewide goose season of November 14 through December 5, December 19 through February 4, and February 5 through February 14 (this will be a snow goose only season). The experimental Canada Goose season dates are January 20 (Wednesday) through January 28 (Thursday).

Chairman Jenkins asked for questions from the Commission. Commissioner Jones posed a question on format of offering an extra weekend in the split seasons. Commissioner Pol stated he is not satisfied with the dates for the west zone and mentions the January 20 parameter is not being taken advantage of. Commissioner Pol suggested to Chairman Jenkins that the Hunting Committee meet with the Game Division at 1:00 p.m. Chairman Jenkins concurs and defers any action on this item until afterwards. Chairman Jenkins asked for comments from the audience and hears none.

A consideration of the Title (Name) Change for Game Division to Wildlife Division was presented to the Commission by Mr. Hugh Bateman. The other state agencies that handle the same type of ARC responsibilities that our Game Division has is referred to as the Wildlife Division and thus request concurrence of the name change. Commissioner Jones asked if there was any structural change or position changes with the name change. Mr. Bateman reads the "Therefore Be It Resolved" portion of the resolution. Chairman Jenkins asked for a motion to accept the resolution and was made by Commissioner Pol and seconded by Commissioner Gisclair with no opposition.

(The full text of the Resolution is made a part of the record.)

### RESOLUTION

Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission August 6, 1992

- WHEREAS, the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission and the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries has a responsibility to oversee Louisiana's fish and wildlife resources, and
- WHEREAS, the Game Division is responsible for the wildlife resources of the state that include both game and nongame, and
- WHEREAS, the Game Division has always been involved with wildlife in Louisiana, and
- WHEREAS, the addition of the Natural Heritage Section further diversifies the Game Division's responsibilities, and
- WHEREAS, in other states the Game Division's counterparts are referred to as the Wildlife Division, and
- WHEREAS, the Wildlife Division will more appropriately portray the activities of the Division, now
- THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that on this date the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby change the name of the Game Division to the Wildlife Division.

James H. Jenkins, Jr., Chairman Louisiana Wildlife & Fisheries Commission Joe L. Herring, Secretary Louisiana Department of Wildlife & Fisheries

Reconsideration of the Spotted Seatrout Management was the next item discussed. Commissioner Mialjevich reminded the Commission that he had several concerns on this topic when it was implemented and also stated he has had several organizations and individuals approach him about the problem they had with the spotted seatrout management plan. Commissioner Mialjevich asked Mr. Jim Bourge to come forward and make his presentation. Mr. Bourge begins by thanking the Commission for their time and then reminds the Commission of the rules and regulations for the Spotted Seatrout Management Measures. He then proceeds to read a petition on behalf of the Lake Pontchartrain Fisherman's Association, the Louisiana Fishermen for Fair Laws, the Terrebonne Fisherman's Organization, the Louisiana Farm Bureau Fish and Trapper Committee,

the Organization of Louisiana Fishermen, and himself. Commissioner Mialjevich asked Mr. Bourge to explain the basis for his petition/ request on statements 1, 2 and 3. In reference to the first statement according to Mr. Bourge, all action by the Commission pertaining to the regulations of a species is to be based on biological data. The Department's biological data said no action or changes were necessary. On points 2 and 3, the Roberts Rules Commissioner Mialjevich asked Mr. of Order were not followed. Bourge what his formal request is to which Mr. Bourge requested the Commission look at the way this measure was done, look at the biological data (why cut quota down and eliminate weekend fishing) . Commissioner Mialjevich restated Mr. Bourge's request as being to reconsider the eliminating the weekend fishing ban and eliminate the quota change. Mr. Bourge also requested the reconsideration of the automatic May 1 closure. Commissioner Mialjevich makes a motion to entertain the request of Mr. Bourge to eliminate the weekend commercial fishing ban, go back to the original quota on the spotted seatrout and disregard the May 1st closure. no second, the motion died. Commissioner Gisclair reminds Chairman Jenkins that with this being his first meeting, he has questions as far as what took place and requests that this item be placed on the next agenda or another meeting. Chairman Jenkins approved the request and further stated the Legislature wrestled with these same ideas and then finally gave it to the Commission last year. August of 1991, the Commission started to develop a plan on spotted seatrout with finfish committee meetings being held, a public hearing held, 3 or 4 Commission meetings held, and then to the Oversight, Governor's Office and back to the Commission for final ratification. Commissioner Mialjevich agreed with most of what Chairman Jenkins stated but sides with Mr. Bourge on the issue of biology.

(The full text of the Petition /Request is made a part of the record.)

#### "Dear Commission Members:

This is a formal request/petition for you to reconsider amending or eliminating your implementation of the <u>Spotted Seatrout Management Measures</u> ratified during your February 1992 Meeting.

The basis for this petition/request is:

- Non-compliance of the mandated policy and standards provisions under Title 56 put in effect by Acts 157 and 708 of the 1991 Regular Legislative Session.
- 2. Non-compliance of the requirements of the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act.

- 3. Non-compliance of Article V, Section 2 of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission's By-Laws.
- 4. Disregard of both state and federal constitutional protection.

Actions to amend or eliminate this <u>Management Plan</u> is immediately needed before any more economic/social hardships and damage is done to the Louisiana commercial fisherman and seafood processors by this blatant injustice."

An Emergency Declaration on the Setting of the 1992-93 Oyster Season was given by Mr. Ron Dugas, the Department's Oyster Program Manager. Mr. Dugas relates that under R.S. 56:433 the Commission is authorized to set the pyster season on the public oyster seed grounds which encompasses more than 1 million acres. Mr. Dugas also states that through their surveys in the Marine Division there is a greater supply than normal. Because of the large supply, the starting date for the oyster season will be September 9, 1992 with two exceptions. The Bay Gardene Oyster Seed Reservation should remain closed this year for this season. Act 46 of the 1992 Legislative Session mandates that a sacking area be set aside. This area, as determined by the Department, is called the Lower Black Bay area and recommended that it open October 15, Also recommendations for Hackberry Bay and Sister Lake to open September 9, 1992 was made. The final area to consider is the Calcasieu which is a tonging area and recommended the opening of October 15, 1992. Commissioner Vujnovich informs that in areas where the oyster had disappeared in previous years, they saw an abundance of oysters and ask the Department to study what was the difference between 3 years ago and this year as far as production Commissioner Vujnovich also recommends concerned. Commission adopt the season as Mr. Dugas proposed. Jenkins asked for a vote on the Declaration of Emergency and received a unanimous vote with no opposition. Mr. Dugas now read the "Therefore Be It Resolved" portion of the resolution on the 1992-93 oyster season. Chairman Jenkins asked for a vote on the Resolution and received a unanimous vote with no opposition. Commissioner Mialjevich hopes that there will be a better system with the 72 hour notice for the oyster fishermen than what the shrimpers received.

(The full text of the Declaration of Emergency and Resolution is made a part of the record.)

### DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

In accordance with the emergency provisions of the

Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:953(B) and 967, and under the authority of R.S. 56:433 and R.S. 56:535.1, notice is hereby given that the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby declares:

- 1. The Public Oyster Seed Grounds not currently under lease, and the Hackberry Bay, and Sister Lake Oyster Seed Reservations will open one-half hour before sunrise September 9, 1992. The exception will be the sacking area east of the Mississippi River.
- 2. The Bay Junop and Bay Gardene Oyster Seed Reservation will remain closed during the 1992/93 oyster season.
- 3. There will be an area on the Public Grounds east of the Mississippi River in the Lower Black Bay area set aside for sacking as prescribed by Act 46 of the 1992 Legislative Session. This area will open one-half hour before sunrise October 15, 1992.
- 4. The Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is authorized to take emergency action if necessary, to close areas if oyster mortalities are occurring or to delay the season or close areas where significant spat catch has occurred with good probability of survival, or where it is found that there are excessive amounts of shell in seed oyster loads.
- 5. The Secretary is authorized to take emergency action to reopen areas previously closed if the threat to the resource subsides.
- Oysters taken from the Public Oyster Seed Grounds or the Oyster Seed Reservations for bedding will not be allowed in sacks or any other type container.
- 7. The Calcasieu and Sabine Lake Tonging areas will open one-half hour before sunrise on October 15, 1992 and remain open until one-half hour after sunset on March 1, 1993, with the Secretary having the authority to extend to compensate for the health closure days.
- 8. Notice of any opening, delaying or closing of a season will be made by public notice at least 72 hours prior to such action.

James H. Jenkins, Jr. Chairman

### RESOLUTION

- 1992/93 Season on the Public Oyster Grounds
  Adopted by the
- Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission August 6, 1992
- Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Quail Drive, Baton Rouge, Louisiana
- WHEREAS, R.S. 56:433 provides that the Public Oyster Seed Grounds may be opened on the Wednesday following Labor Day which in 1992 is September 9, and
- whereas, the oyster resources on the "Public Oyster Seed Grounds and Oyster Seed Reservations" have been surveyed and the available supply and size variation has been determined, and
- whereas, it has been a managerial practice to rotate the opening of the season on some of the "Oyster Seed Reservations" when biologically feasible, and
- WHEREAS, the "Bay Junop Hackberry Bay and the Bay Gardene Oyster Seed Reservation" were open during the 91/92 oyster season, and
- WHEREAS, Act #46 of the 1992 Legislative Session changed R.S. 56:433B to mandate a sacking area only on the Public Grounds east of the Mississippi River inclusive of Plaguemines and St. Bernard Parishes, now
- THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the "Louisiana Public Oyster Seed Grounds", and the "Hackberry Bay and Sister Lake Oyster Seed Reservations" not currently under lease will open one-half hour before sunrise on September 9, 1992, and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the "Bay Gardene and Bay Junop Oyster Seed Reservations" will remain closed during the 1992/93 oyster season, and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the area generally described in the enclosed map and generally called "Lower Black Bay" will be set aside as a sacking area only and will not open until one-half hour before sunrise October 15, 1992, and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is authorized to take emergency action if necessary, to close areas if oyster mortalities are occurring or to delay the season or close areas where significant spat catch has occurred with good probability of survival, or where it is found that there are

excessive amounts of shell in seed oyster loads, and

- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary will also have the authority to take emergency action to reopen areas previously closed if the threat to the resource has ended, and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that oysters for bedding purposes will not be allowed in sacks or any other type container, and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the season for the Calcasieu and Sabine Lake tonging areas will open one-half hour before sunrise on October 15, 1992 and remain open until one-half hour after sunset on March 1, 1993, with the Secretary having the authority to extend to compensate for the health closure days, and
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** notice of any opening, delaying or closing of a season will be made by public notice at least 72 hours prior to such action.

James H. Jenkins, Jr., Chairman Louisiana Wildlife & Fisheries Commission Joe L. Herring, Secretary Louisiana Department of Wildlife & Fisheries

Mr. Karl Turner begins his report on the Seafood Promotion & Marketing Board Program Activities for 1991-92 by passing out a kit of materials. Within the packet is the 1992-93 Marketing Plan; and half-page ads which will appear in a Food Arts magazine. Next, Mr. Turner showed a video of commercials on fish, crabs, oysters, shrimp, seafood combo, the oyster industry, shrimp at Christmas and the Louisiana Seafood Commercial Fishermen that are shown across the state during the news program. One of the programs that the Seafood Promotion & Marketing Board will be doing this year is a special oyster menu merchandising program in order to promote a positive attitude for oysters. The filming of the opening of the shrimp season for a promotion of the shrimp industry to be the premium tasting shrimp in the world was the basis behind using the Department's plane. Also included in the packet was a cookbook which was sponsored through the 4-H Foundation and LSU for children to participate in a seafood cooking contest. Chairman Jenkins asked how many full time, permanent employees are in the Marketing Board and what is the Boards bank balance. Commissioner Jones asked Mr. Turner who helps with the media buys, production of commercials, what is the process of selecting advertisers and about participation in trade shows. Mr. Turner advised the Commission, that for budget purposes, the Board is considering alternatives to expand the budget and also advises the Board will be working with the Department of Tourism this year.

Chairman Jenkins returns the attention ker to the tentative

dates for Duck and Goose Hunting Seasons, 1992-93 after a Hunting Regulations Committee Meeting was held. Αt this Commissioner Pol makes the following recommended dates: ducks and coots, (which is closed on canvasback), in the west zone (30 days) to be November 21 (Saturday) through December 5 (Saturday) and December 26 through January 9. In the east zone, (30 days) the dates will be from November 21 (Saturday) through November 27 (Friday) and December 26 (Saturday) through January 17 (Sunday). The Catahoula Lake zone (30 days) will begin on November 21 (Saturday) to December 20 (Sunday). The daily bag limit is a 3 duck limit, 6 ducks in possession with no more than 2 mallards, no more than 1 of which may be female, 1 black duck, 2 wood ducks, 1 pintail and 1 redhead. The daily bag limit on coots is 15. For mergansers, the daily bag limit is 5 of which only 1 may be a hooded merganser. The merganser limits are in addition to the The possession limit on ducks, coots daily bag limit for ducks. and mergansers is twice the daily bag limit. The goose season, which does not include the experimental Canada Goose Season, will be November 21 through December 12, December 19 through February 4 and February 5 through February 14. The daily bag limit is 7 in the aggregate of blue, snow and white-fronted geese of which not more than 2 may be white-fronted. During the last 10 days, February 5 through February 14, only blue and snow geese may be taken. During the experimental Canada Goose Season, the daily bag limit for Canada and white-fronted geese is 2, of which not more than 1 can be a Canada goose; possession limit is twice daily bag Commissioner Pol mades a motion that these dates be limit. accepted and was seconded by Commissioner Jones. Commissioner Mialjevich asked why only the dates in the west zone were changed. Chairman Jenkins asked for comments from the audience with none The motion passed with no opposition from the being heard. Commissioners.

(The full text of the Resolution is made a part of the record.)

### RESOLUTION

Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries August 6, 1992

The following was adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission at its regular Commission Meeting in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, August 6, 1992.

WHEREAS, Hugh A. Bateman, Administrator of the Game Division has attended status meetings and public hearings in Washington, D.C. on waterfowl, including ducks, coots, and geese, and

WHEREAS, the results of this meeting have been discussed with the

Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, and

WHEREAS, rules and regulations governing waterfowl season framework have been developed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and

whereas, the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries staff has presented recommendations for waterfowl including season dates, bag limits and shooting hours, and

WHEREAS, it is the constitutional responsibility of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to establish hunting seasons for waterfowl within the constraints of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service framework, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that on this date, the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby tentatively adopt the attached season dates, bag limits and shooting hours, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that these tentative dates will be ratified by Declaration of Emergency at the September meeting unless significant changes are mandated by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that these dates will be forwarded to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service as regulations set for Louisiana's 1992-93 Migratory Bird Hunting Regulations.

James H. Jenkins, Jr., Chairman Louisiana Wildlife & Fisheries Commission Joe L. Herring, Secretary Louisiana Department of Wildlife & Fisheries

An Emergency Declaration for the **Setting of the 1992 Fall Inshore Shrimp Season** was presented by Mr. John Roussel by reading the entire resolution which explains the reasons for proposing the season as such. Chairman Jenkins asked for questions from the Commission. Commissioner Mialjevich inquired why popen on a different date in Zone III. Mr. Roussel explains that historically the white shrimp migrate offshore in mid-August and to provide the shrimpers the opportunity to catch these shrimp; also the shrimp will be of marketable size at this time. Commissioner Mialjevich further asked if the Department had received complaints for opening the season too late and the outlook for the white shrimp season.

Chairman Jenkins asked for comments from the audience. Mr. Roland Trosclair from Cameron thanked the Department for the extra 8 day butterfly season in the spring and asked for the August 10th opening date. Chairman Jenkins asked for a motion to accept the resolution as stated. Commissioner Gisclair made a motion and was seconded by Commissioner Jones with no opposition.

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(The full text of the Resolution and Declaration of Emergency is made a part of the record.)

#### RESOLUTION

1992 Fall Inshore Shrimp Season
Adopted by the
Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission
August 6, 1992 - Baton Rouge, Louisiana

- WHEREAS, R.S. 56:497 authorizes the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to set no less than two shrimp seasons each calendar year for all inside waters by zone, and
- WHEREAS, R.S. 56:497 states the shrimp seasons shall be based on biological and technical data which indicates that marketable shrimp are available, and
- WHEREAS, R.S. 56:498 provides the minimum legal count on white shrimp is 100 (whole shrimp) count per pound, except during the time period from October fifteenth through the third Monday in December when there shall be no count, and
- WHEREAS, historically the Fall Inshore "White" Shrimp Season opened on the third Monday in August, and
- whereas, historical and current biological sampling conducted by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries has indicated that white shrimp in all inshore shrimp zones will average 100 count minimum size or larger by mid August, and
- WHEREAS, historical data for Calcasieu Lake (Zone III) indicates that white shrimp migrate from inshore to offshore waters in many years prior to the third week in August, while white shrimp in Zones I and II tend to remain inshore until late August, and
- WHEREAS, in 1992 the third Monday in August will be August 17.
- THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby set the 1992 Fall Inshore "White" Shrimp Season by public notice in accordance with R.S. 56:497, to open in Shrimp Management Zone III at 6:00 a.m. on Monday, August 10, 1992 and in Shrimp Management Zones I and II at 6:00 a.m. on Monday, August 17, 1992.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby authorize the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries to close the 1992 Fall Inshore

"White" Shrimp Season in any area or zone when biological and technical data indicates the need to do so.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** a Declaration of Emergency setting the 1992 Fall Inshore "White" Shrimp Season is attached to and made a part of this resolution.

James H. Jenkins, Jr., Chairman Louisiana Wildlife & Fisheries Commission Joe L. Herring, Secretary Louisiana Department of Wildlife & Fisheries

### DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

In accordance with the emergency provisions of R.S. 49:967 which allows the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to use emergency procedures to set shrimp seasons and R.S. 56:497 which provides that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission shall fix no less than two open seasons each year for all inside waters. The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby set the 1992 Fall Inshore Shrimp Season to open in Shrimp Management Zones I and II at 6:00 a.m. on Monday, August 17, 1992 and in Shrimp Management Zone III at 6:00 a.m. on Monday, August 10, 1992. The Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is also hereby authorized to close the 1992 Fall Inshore Shrimp Season in any area or zone when biological and technical data indicates the need to do so.

James H. Jenkins, Jr. Chairman

A discussion on the Catfish Locks Operational Procedures was initiated by Mr. Corky Perret after he and Chairman Jenkins attended a Gulf Council Meeting. The Council requested for their position on this issue. Mr. Perret explains that we try to get the locks open when juvenile marine organisms are at high numbers during the summer and then introduced Mr. Dudley Carver who will provide a brief background on the subject. Mr. Carver begins by providing a brief history of the Department's involvement with the management of Grand Lake (Cameron Parish) and White Lake (Vermilion Parish). These lakes had a history of marine production until the Corps of Engineers constructed locks at Catfish Point and Schooner These locks were authorized to conserve freshwater by maintaining normal lake levels and preventing uncontrolled tidal In 1972, the fishermen requested the Corps of Engineers, this Department, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, National Marine Fisheries Service get together and work out a management plan of letting marine organisms ingress into the lakes. When the marine organisms would appear at the structure, the Corps would open the

gates for 15 minutes. The last opening of the gates for Schooner Bayou was August of 1986 because of saltwater intrusion and this was discontinued. Up until August 18, 1988, Department personnel would take samples from the Grand Lake area; and upon seeing marine organisms in the area, the Department would telephone the Corps office for them to open the locks. One of the major criteria for opening the gates is the salinity level which could affect the agricultural farmers. In the two systems, there has been over a million pounds of production which included crabs, shrimp, finfish and menhaden production. In 1988, the people associated with these locks wanted a more definite plan which involved working with the inside versus the outside gauge readings. After a ten year extensive study, the Corps presented a proposal to put a by-pass structure around the Catfish Locks which would consist of four 4 x 4 gates of which one would be open at all times and the other three would be gated. A sufficient cost benefit ratio could not be generated for this proposal so the Corps backed off and now has presented another proposal of a one foot wide opening of one gate during periods when usually closed. The Department feels that the by-pass structure would be the best for the marine resources because the Corps advised that there would be no impact on the salinity regime within the Lake. The Department samples are taken from April until the opening of the White Shrimp Season in August and then reports the data. This year there has been one time where there were marine organisms present that they could not open the system and other times, they opened the system as much as they could.

Commissioner Mialjevich asked if the Lake Arthur area's decline in shrimp over the last number of years was because of the way the locks were being operated. Commissioner Mialjevich also wanted to know if the 4 x 4 structure would help the marine production in White Lake and where the structure would be placed. Mr. Carver reminds Commissioner Mialjevich that the 4 x 4 structure proposal has been dropped and that now there is a proposal for a one foot opening. Commissioner Mialjevich requested what the one foot opening would be as far as the water depth level is.

An Update on the Shrimp Plan was next presented by Mr. Corky Perret. Mr. Perret begins by discussing a status report on the activities of the Shrimp Task Force which held a meeting last week. Action taken at this meeting dealt with resolutions passed by the House and Senate relative to the territorial sea waters such that should these waters be opened and/or closed by Commission action or should the Legislature handle it. The Task Force recommended this should be left for the Commission to handle. Discussion occurred relating to sanctuaries or the possibility of such, problems with these and more discussion will occur at the next Task Force meeting which is scheduled for the 26th of next month.

Mr. Perret continues his discussion by stating a letter was received by the Department and the Commission relative to problem

areas where crab traps and shrimp trawlers are operating in the same areas. This issue will be looked at by the Shrimp Task Force and also the Crab Task Force. The licensing system for shrimp vessels, gear and etc. is also being addressed by the License Section and the Shrimp Task Force.

In reference to the Shrimp Management Plan, Mr. Perret advises that sections on the biological portion and yield models have been written and the stocks involved and description of the stocks have been completed. The legal portion, history of management, the existing management measures and the economic analysis have been completed. Work is still being done on the yield, the executive summary and the management regime sections. Public hearing(s) may be held next month and also may want to have a Commission Committee Meeting on Oyster & Shrimp Mr. Perret hopes to have a plan for the Commission to look at prior to the end of the year.

Chairman Jenkins asked if the by-catch issue was being addressed in this Plan and is the Shrimp Task Force addressing this also. Mr. Perret forewarns he saw an article in the Federal Register concerning TED's with the comment period closing on the 29th of July and something on TED's may be coming down in October from Washington. Commissioner Mialjevich advises he has a letter from the Center for Marine Conservation which states a lawsuit will be promulgated if TED's are not instituted for inside waters in trawls by August 31 of this year. Mr. Perret tells that he attended a public hearing where some of the fishermen are accusing the National Marine Fisheries Service of putting them out of business and then another group will sue if this is not implemented.

Commissioner Gisclair asked if proxies could not be used when referring to the Shrimp Task Force. Commissioner Mialjevich requested information, in general, of what occurred at the last Shrimp Task Force, wondered what parameters are being looked at on the by-catch and the use and catch of skimmers versus trawls.

An Update on Civil Restitutions was given by Ms. Wynnette The collections of Civil Restitutions for last month was approximately \$8,000 and informed that a written report would be provided starting next month listing cumulative and monthly figures, total amounts billed out, total amounts paid, and the money from the sale of the goods confiscated by Enforcement Agents. Commissioner Jones asked about the redfish case and was advised a second letter went out on July 8 and the next step being to turn him over to the attorney. Commissioner Jones also requested the attorney who has been helping with the collections to join Ms. Kees at the next Commission Meeting. Chairman Jenkins referred to a brown pelican egg case and where it was. He was advised that it was a Federal case. Commissioner Jones asked if letters for civil restitutions were sent on the reported fish kills from last year, wanted to know why these have not been cited, requested copies of

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correspondence concerning this and further requested an update on this issue for next month. Chairman Jenkins asked Mr. Mike Landrum about the brown pelican egg case and requested this be looked into and report back. Commissioner Mialjevich asked if in the reports that are going to be provided, whether there will be a breakdown telling where the fines are coming from.

The District Attorney's Report was offered by Mr. Clyde Kimball. In this report, the totals by parish are broken down into the number of citations, type of violation. Mr. Kimball states that they have very little information and that some cases are not disposed of for a year or maybe even two years. In receiving the dispositions, the lag time could be a year or even more. Chairman Jenkins questioned about the report provided and, as an example, Lafourche Parish and Plaquemines Parish what the different columns represented; and if there was any year-to-date information. Mr. Al Brown from the Computer Center explained how the programming works and informs that a monthly report could be provided. Chairman Jenkins stated that the report needs to be quarterly and annually.

The Monthly Law Enforcement Report for July was given by Colonel Winton Vidrine. The following number of citations were issued during the month of July.

Region I - Minden - 96 citations.

Region II - Monroe - 148 citations.

Region III - Alexandria - 192 citations.

Region IV - Ferriday - 196 citations.

Region V - Lake Charles - 317 citations.

Region VI - Opelousas - 249 citations.

Region VII - Baton Rouge - 449 citations.

Region VIII - New Orleans - 361 citations.

Region IX - Thibodaux - 387 citations.

The Oyster Strike Force issued 77 citations and 26 citations were issued by SWEP. A Special Strike Force, which consists of 12 agents thus far, issued 170 citations.

Commissioner Pol asked Colonel Vidrine what happens with all the confiscated speckled trout, crabs and oysters. Chairman Jenkins presented a hypothetical question relating to an individual that was under his camp and an alligator grabbed hold of him, would he have been given a ticket? Commissioner Mialjevich asked what the citations would be for the confiscation of shrimp by the offshore boats. Commissioner Jones asked why wait until former Commissioner McCall was gone before confiscating 40,000 pounds of undersized crabs by the boats that he questioned every month?

The grand total of citations issued statewide for the month of July was 2,901 citations which was probably one of the largest months.

The Shell Mitigation Update was next discussed by Mrs. Karen Foote. There has been placed about 10,500 cubic yards of mitigation shell to date. The present shell dredging lease has produced approximately 150,000 cubic yards, and of this, vowes approximately less than 1,500 cubic yards of mitigation. There is a plan to place this at Marsh Island at the end of the year. The Department has a dynamic list of shell needs; of which Queen Bess Island was first and this has been taken care of. Marsh Island is now our top priority. Chairman Jenkins requests to know about the legal side of shell mitigation, but this will continue later.

An Update on the Inshore Artificial Reef Program by Mr. Rick The Inshore Reef Development is tied in with the recovering the mitigation shell from the shell industry. program began with the offshore phase where oil and gas platforms A request came from the Commission and others to accelerate the inshore program and this came about with the use of mitigation shell. The first thing accomplished was to identify what structures already existed and found over 6,000 items that could act as artificial reefs. Mr. Kasprzak now shows slides of <del>where</del> the first development of an inshore shell pad in the Vermilion Bay area; where platforms already are; the barges, drag lines and tugs used in deploying the pads. One of the key problems we are having is no method of transportation the materials. Chairman Jenkins asked about the progress with the offshore program; whether as ing the wellop Breaux funds can Wallop-Breaux funds be used in the inshore plan; and if the removal of structures inshore is occurring or has it stopped.

Commissioner Mialjevich asked if the waterbottom is being raised with the reef in inshore waters. Mr. Jesse Fontenot questioned what reefs were in the Atchafalaya.

Discussion continued on shell mitigation from a legal side by Mr. Don Puckett. A tentative agreement with Louisiana Materials and Louisiana Dredging for 15,000 cubic yards and looking at other legal action against the other companies. Commissioner Schneider asked exactly what did looking at other legal action mean.

The Aircraft Report was addressed by Mr. Lee Caubarreaux. In the Commissioner's packet was a copy of the June 1992 Aviation Report and the Department's Aircraft Policy which was revised July

22, 1992. The report lists a total of 47.4 hours of flight time. This report was compiled by Chief Pilot Gene Rackle and he explains that 3 planes were down for maintenance, and the remainder of the aircraft did the majority of the flying. Chairman Jenkins inquired about the number of airplanes the Department has, discussed the number of hours flown by each pilot. Commissioner Jones asked about Mr. Danny Clause and if he is a full time pilot. Jenkins and Commissioner Jones continued inquiring about the flights flown in each plane; needing a better description for the destination and purposes; the flights flown for the Department of Natural Resources and the cost we charge to DNR; and then inquired if the job could still be done with less than 6 airplanes. Rackle reminds the Commission that the Cessna 180 Float Plane and the Partenavia are special use airplanes. Chairman Jenkins asked if, on the Cessna, will the Deed of Donation allow for any other use than for Fur & Refuge projects and requested reporting back the legal staff's findings. Chairman Jenkins seeksd if Mr. Mike Windham was a pilot for the Department. Mr. Rackle adds that the Partenavia is a special use airplane also. Commissioner Jones mentions that we need to spend our money wisely.

To continue this discussion, Chairman Jenkins proposed and read a resolution for the Commission to consider on the aircraft policy. Then Chairman Jenkins makes a motion to consider the policy and was seconded by Commissioner Jones. Commissioner Mialjevich mentioned that comparing the Commission's policy with the Department's policy, there is no great discrepancies until #'s 10 and 11 on the Commission's policy and asked for the Department's opinion regarding the Commission's policy. Secretary Herring informed the Commission that the Department held a meeting with all the pilots and they seemed to have worked out a good plan with no problems developing thus far. Secretary Herring compliments the pilots and the people in charge of this program.

Commissioner Mialjevich states that he feels the Commission is getting too involved in the day to day operations of the Department. Commissioner Mialjevich states he has to speak against the motion.

Commissioner Gisclair inquired if there has been an attempt to work out the differences between the Department and the Commission. Chairman Jenkins explains to Commissioner Gisclair what has transpired over the past 3 to 4 years with regard to the airplanes. Commissioner Gisclair wanted to know if, since the last meeting, has it been given a chance to work. Chairman Jenkins wonders what does the Department need airplanes for anyway. He further stated that the float planes and the amphibian could be used for all the Department work and even goes into a brief history of how the airplanes were used in the past. Secretary Herring agreed with Chairman Jenkins that enforcement is important for the Department, but there are a lot of things that are not discussed regarding the use of the airplanes such as the revenues brought in

by the use of the airplanes.

Commissioner Pol suggested Chairman Jenkins and Secretary Herring meet over the next few days and iron out the problems with #'s 9; 10 and 11 on the Commission's policy. Chairman Jenkins stated that he has tried to do this and has held meetings but said he is worn out. Commissioner Pol directs Mr. Caubarreaux to get the 2 airplanes in question checked and see what there worth is. Chairman Jenkins reminds Commissioner Pol the example of \$50,000 being spent to repair the Commander, the \$3,000 for a wing inspection, then giving the airplane to the Attorney General and now, after getting it back, wanting to sell the airplane. Commissioner Pol would like to see this issue brought to a conclusion and requests to Chairman Jenkins that he make one more try with Secretary Herring, and then after that, vote on the policy. Chairman Jenkins and Secretary Herring agreed to try one more time to work this issue out.

Secretary Herring reiterates that the repairs referenced above were made under the last administration and agrees that we do not need a transportation plane. He also expresses that if a recommendation needs to be made to get rid of a plane, it would be the one on loan to the Attorney General's office. Commissioner Pol requested Secretary Herring direct Mr. Caubarreaux to have an appraisal done on the AeroCommander, the Partenavia, the 210 and get a corrosion inspection before the next meeting. Mr. Caubarreaux agreed to the request and allowed Mr. Rackle to explain the prerequisites needed before attempting to sale the Commander. Chairman Jenkins agreed to withdraw his motion on the Commission's Aircraft policy and will put this item on the agenda for the next Commission Meeting.

(The full text of the Resolution is made a part of the record.)

### LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

#### RESOLUTION

### August 6, 1992

- whereas, pursuant to its general policy making authority and particularly LA. R.S. 56:2 the Commission desires to establish its own written policy regarding the utilization of Wildlife and Fisheries aircraft, and
- WHEREAS, the Commission feels that the best utilization of department aircraft to the maximum extent of their capabilities can be achieved through the enactment of such a policy, and
- WHEREAS, the Commission is of the opinion that the proposed policy

of the Commission will result in increased Enforcement utilization of department aircraft and thereby, enforcement of wildlife laws will be enhanced, and

whereas, the Commission is of the opinion that the proposed policy of the Commission will create a safer flying environment for the utilization of Wildlife and Fisheries aircraft.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that this Commission does hereby adopt the following:

#### WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES AIRCRAFT POLICY

- 1. Wildlife and Fisheries aircraft shall be used by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries solely in the conduct of its business. Personal use is prohibited. Any passenger who is not a Department employee or Commission member must have approval of the Secretary, or the flight officer, before the flight.
- 2. Flight operations shall be governed by the following priority:
  - a. Safety
  - b. Highest quality of service
  - c. Economy
- 3. All flight operations shall be conducted according to applicable FAA regulations, aircraft and engine manuals, insurance provisions, policies of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and directives from the Chief Pilot.
- 4. The Secretary or his designated flight officer shall be responsible for operational and financial control of Department aircraft. Safety requires the designated pilot have final flight authority. However, no active thunderstorm penetration is permitted. No passenger shall have final flight authority.
- 5. A Chief Pilot shall be designated from the pilots on staff.
- 6. The Chief Pilot shall report to the flight officer, and is responsible for the training and scheduling of pilots and other personnel assigned to him, as well as maintenance, care and administration of the aircraft. He shall submit a monthly summary of activity for each aircraft to the flight officer.

- 7. All flight personnel shall maintain the highest personal standards and conduct themselves accordingly when on duty. The use of alcohol and/or controlled substances (other than prescription) is strictly forbidden and shall be cause for dismissal.
- 8. The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries discourages the use of its aircraft by other governmental agencies. If other agency use does occur, that agency must have approval of the Secretary or the flight officer and will be charged the usual public aircraft charter rate for the aircraft used. Every effort will be made to collect these charges in a timely manner.
- 9. All float equipped aircraft shall be assigned to and utilized by the enforcement division on a daily basis with the understanding that other divisions shall have access to these aircraft on a preapproved and scheduled basis. The aircraft will be stationed strategically across the state to insure quick response and minimum flying time to cover all state coastal water.
- 10. Department pilots whose job classification are such shall be assigned to fly all aircraft. Other Department personnel, even though licensed and qualified will not be allowed "pilot privilege" without written approval of the Chief Pilot and the Secretary.
- 11. The Department will not own more aircraft than it employs active and qualified pilots.

### APPROVED:

James H. Jenkins, Jr., Chairman Louisiana Wildlife & Fisheries Commission Joe L. Herring, Secretary Louisiana Department of Wildlife & Fisheries

Secretary's Report to the Commission was made by Mr. Joe Herring. He began his report by thanking Al Carver for his report on the educational program in New Mexico. During the Grand Isle Tarpon Rodeo, the Department of the Interior presented a plaque for the reefs program and explained the maps that are being developed showing the reefs in the Gulf. An article was done by Mr. Joe Macaluso on the Department leasing some of the Barrier Islands from Louisiana Land & Exploration for refuge purposes. Fish stockings that occurred during the month were 10,000 Florida bass in several lakes; 668,058 striped bass fingerlings in Toledo Bend and other reservoirs; another 185,934 striped bass fingerlings in Calcasieu

River system; 194,927 catfish were stocked; and a total of 3,130 acres of water hyacinths were sprayed.

The November Meeting Date was set for Thursday, November 5, 1992 and will be held at the Baton Rouge office in the Louisiana Room starting at 10:00 a.m.

Chairman Jenkins asked for **Public Comments**. Mrs. Doris Falkenheiner begins by explaining the Louisiana Audubon Council. One of the high priorities for the Council was the continuation of the Natural Heritage Non-Game and Scenic Rivers Programs and the Habitat Conservation Division. Senate Resolution 52 and House Resolution 52 were passed which encouraged the continuation of the Habitat Conservation Division. Mrs. Falkenheiner requested, if appropriate, for the Commission to pass a resolution encouraging the Secretary to reinstate the Habitat Conservation Division and reassign the programs to it.

Mr. Allen Agant, representing shrimpers in St. Bernard Parish, spoke against the bait shrimpers. They feel the bait shrimpers are harming the white shrimp season. Mr. Agant reveals what and how the bait shrimpers are harming the white shrimp. Chairman Jenkins tried to understand how the bait permit system worked and what the rule that authorized this permit was. Mr. John Roussel from the Marine Division, explained the main aspects of the bait permit Chairman Jenkins asked Mr. Agant if, as he understood his complaint, the people with permits are selling the shrimp as shrimp and not as bait shrimp and feels this is an enforcement problem. Mr. Agant feels it is too hard to police the area and knows that there has not been a good white shrimp season in their area. Chairman Jenkins asked Mr. Roussel if there were any white shrimp in the St. Bernard Parish area. Commissioner Pol stated that if they know who the people are, why not call and report them. Commissioner Mialjevich requested the number of pounds the bait shrimpers are allowed to catch per day, the carrying capacity of one of these boats and is this issue important enough to be put on the agenda for the next meeting. Chairman Jenkins asks Mr. Roussel to make some recommendations for the next meeting and suggests to Mr. Agant that he talk to enforcement. Chairman Jenkin's agrees to have this on the agenda for the next Commission meeting.

Commissioner Mialjevich, with Commissioner Gisclair's concurrence, requested the spotted seatrout issue be put on the agenda for September and requested Chairman Jenkins to give a rationale on the the Commission's resolution versus the Department's policy, what changes are needed and the benefit of the changes. Chairman Jenkins replied he would talk to him after the meeting on the airplanes.

Chairman Jenkins asked for any further comments and with receiving none adjourned the meeting.

Joe L. Herring Secretary

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#### AGENDA

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- 9. Catfish Locks Discussion of Operational Procedures -Jimmy Jenkins/Corky Perret
- 10. Update on Shrimp Plan Corky Perret
- 11. Seafood Promotion & Marketing Board Report on 1991-92 Program Activities - Karl Turner
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- 13. Update on Civil Restitutions Wynnette Kees
- 14. D. A.'s Report Clyde Kimball
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- 16. Update on Shell Mitigation Karen Foote
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# **NEWS RELEASE**

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### WILDLIFE COMMISSION SETS MEETING AGENDA

The Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission has set its next regular public meeting for Thursday, August 6, 1992 at 10:00 a.m. in the Louisiana Room at LDWF headquarters, 2000 Quail Drive, Baton Rouge.

The commission has set the following agenda. Roll call Approval of July 7, 1992 and July 23, 1992 minutes National Hunting and Fishing Day Emergency Declaration: Set September teal and other migratory bird hunting seasons, 1992-93. Duck and goose hunting seasons, Tentative dates: 1992-93; Canada goose report. Robt Helm: SLIDE SHOW/010ED, BATEMAN, Helm Consideration of name change of Game Division to Wildlife Division Emergency Declaration: Set 1992-93 oyster season Emergency Declaration: Set 1992 fall inshore shrimp 4-2788. season Discussion of operational procedures on Catfish Locks Update on shrimp plan Report on Seafood Promotion and Marketing Board 1991-92 program activities viles 2-158 12. Reconsideration of spotted seatrout management Update on civil restitution program 5-33313. 5-45314. District Attorney's Report Monthly law enforcement report/July Update on shell mitigation Update on inshore artificial reef program Discussion of aircraft policy Secretary's report to the commission Set November meeting date Public comments **207.7-55** 7 7-405-21.

Break for lunch 4-198
Resume w/motion to adopt antes for wf hunting

### COMMISSION MEETING ROLL CALL

Thursday, August 6, 1992
Baton Rouge, LA
Wildlife and Fisheries Building

	Attended	Absent
Jimmy Jenkins (Chairman)	$\checkmark$	
Bert Jones	<u>✓</u> .	<del></del>
Perry Gisclair	<u> </u>	
Tee John Mialjevich	V(lake)	
Warren Pol	<u> </u>	<del></del>
Jeff Schneider	$\checkmark$	<del></del>
Peter Vujnovich	$\checkmark$	

Mr. Chairman:

There are \_\_\_\_\_\_ Commissioners in attendance and we have a quorum.

Deputy Secretary Herring is also present for Secretary Herring.

### RESOLUTION

### WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT

### August 6, 1992

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### SPORTSMANSHIP

Louisiana

<u>TEAM</u>

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**ARCHERY** Shipp (Louisiana, C/B) 1. Utah 2. Reed (Utah) Louisiana (C/B) White (Utah) 3. North Carolina RIFLE Hauser (North Carolina) Louisiana (C/B) Boquet (Louisiana, Terr.) North Carolina 2. Louisiana (Terr.) Reed (Utah) SHOTGUN Calier (Pennsylvania) 1. North Carolina Pennsylvania Petree (North Carolina) 2. Scott (Louisiana, C/B) 3. North Carolina MUZZLE Moses (Louisiana, C/B) 1. Louisiana (C/B) Russo (Louisiana, C/B) 2. North Carolina Austin (Virginia) 3. Utah WILDLIFE I.D. Petree (North Carolina) 1. Louisiana (C/B) Louisiana (Terr.) Kromer (North Carolina) 2. Duncan (Ohio) North Carolina 3. <u>EXAM</u> 1. Utah Miller (North Carolina) Rassmussen (Ohio) 2. Pennsylvania Mississippi Porter (Alabama) **ORIENTEERING** Hoffman (Ohio) 1. Louisiana (C/B) Stillings (Colorado) 2. Ohio Cureington (LA., C/B) Louisiana (Terr.) 3. <u>TRAIL</u> 1. Utah Louisiana (Terr.) 2. 3. Louisiana (C/B) **OVERALL** Petree (North Carolina) 1. Louisiana (C/B) Reed (Utah) & Moses (LA, C/B) 2. Utah Cureington (LA., C/B) Louisiana (Terr.) Juniors (14 years and under) Seniors (15 to 18 years old) Jean. - Jeanerette, Louisiana Terr. - Terrebonne Parish C/B - Caddo & Bossier Parishes

### RESOLUTION

### WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT

### August 6, 1992

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- whereas, it is the constitutional responsibility of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to establish hunting seasons for early migratory species within the constraints of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service framework, now
- THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that on this date, the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby adopt the attached season dates, bag limits and shooting hours by Declaration of Emergency, and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Declaration of Emergency will be in effect beginning September 5, 1992 and extends through sunset February 21, 1993.
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Daily bag 12, possession 24

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Joe L. Herring, Secretary

Proposed, but changed

# TENTATIVE SEASONS FOR MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS

DUCKS AND COOTS: (CLOSED SEASON ON CANVASBACK)

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East Zone: (30 days) Nov. 21 - Nov. 27 and Dec. 26 - Jan. 17

Catahoula Lake Zone: (30 days) Nov. 21 - Dec. 20

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The daily bag limit on ducks is 3 and may include no more than 2 mallards (no more than 1 of which may be a female), 1 black duck, 2 wood ducks, 1 pintail and 1 redhead. Daily bag limit on coots is 15.

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A special permit shall be required to participate in the **Experimental Canada Goose Season.** A permit is required of everyone, regardless of age, and a non-refundable \$5.00 administrative fee will be charged. This permit may be obtained from the Lake Charles, Opelousas, Baton Rouge Offices.

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# Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission August 6, 1992

- WHEREAS, the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission and the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries has a responsibility to oversee Louisiana's fish and wildlife resources, and
- WHEREAS, the Game Division is responsible for the wildlife resources of the state that include both Game and non-game, and
- WHEREAS, the Game Division has always been involved with wildlife in Louisiana, and
- WHEREAS, the addition of the Natural Heritage Section further diversifies the Game Division's responsibilities, and
- WHEREAS, in other states the Game Division's counterparts are referred to as the Wildlife Division, and
- WHEREAS, the Wildlife Division will more appropriately portray the activities of the Division, now
- THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that on this date the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby change the name of the Game Division to the Wildlife Division.

James H. Jenkins, Jr.

LA Wildlife & Fisheries Commission

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1992/93 Season on the Public Oyster Grounds adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission August 6, 1992 Louisiana Department of Wildlife & Fisheries Quail Dr. Baton Rouge, Louisiana

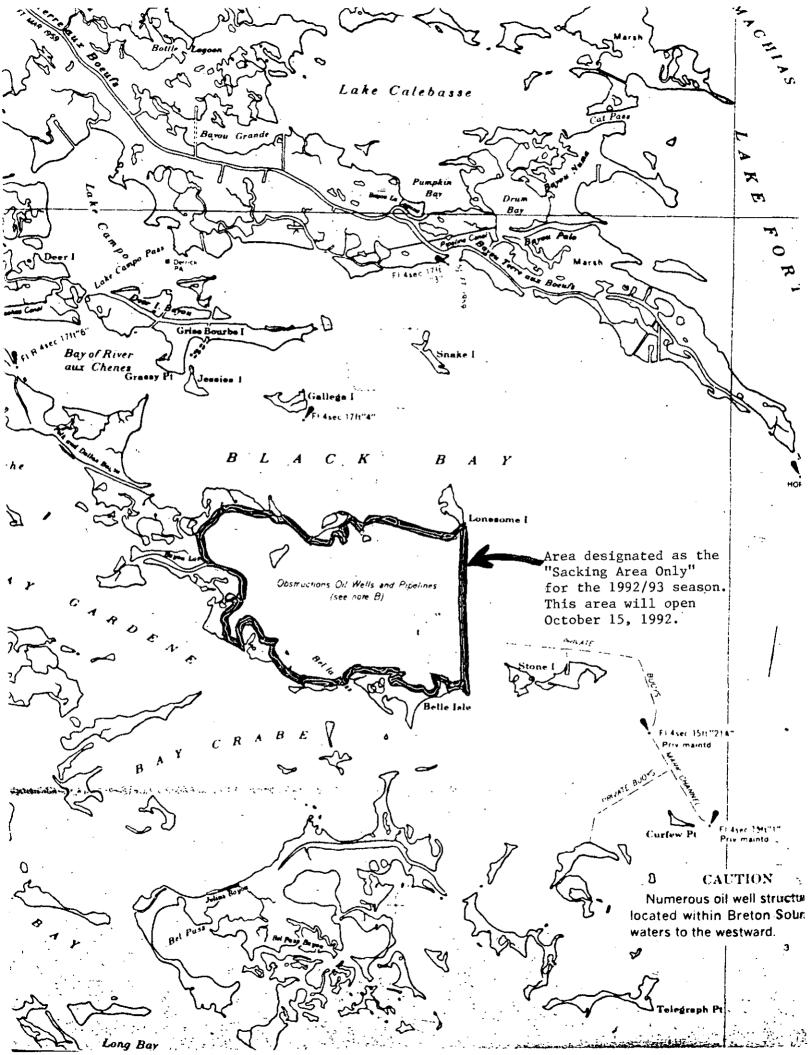
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- whereas, it has been a managerial practice to rotate the opening of the season on some of the "Oyster Seed Reservations" when biologically feasible, and
- WHEREAS, the "Bay Junop Hackberry Bay and the Bay Gardene Oyster Seed Reservation" were open during the 91/92 oyster season, and
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- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the "Bay Gardene and Bay Junop Oyster Seed Reservations" will remain closed during the 1992/93 oyster season, and
- BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED, that the area generally described in the enclosed map and generally called "Lower Black Bay" will be set aside as a sacking area only and will not open until 1/2 hour before sunrise October 15, 1992, and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is authorized to take emergency action if necessary, to close areas if oyster mortalities are occurring or to delay the season or close areas where significant spat catch has occurred with good probability of survival, or where it is found that there are excessive amounts of shell in seed oyster loads, and
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, notice of any opening, delaying or closing of a season will be made by public notice at least 72 hours prior to such action.

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LA Wildlife and Fisheries
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#### **DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY**

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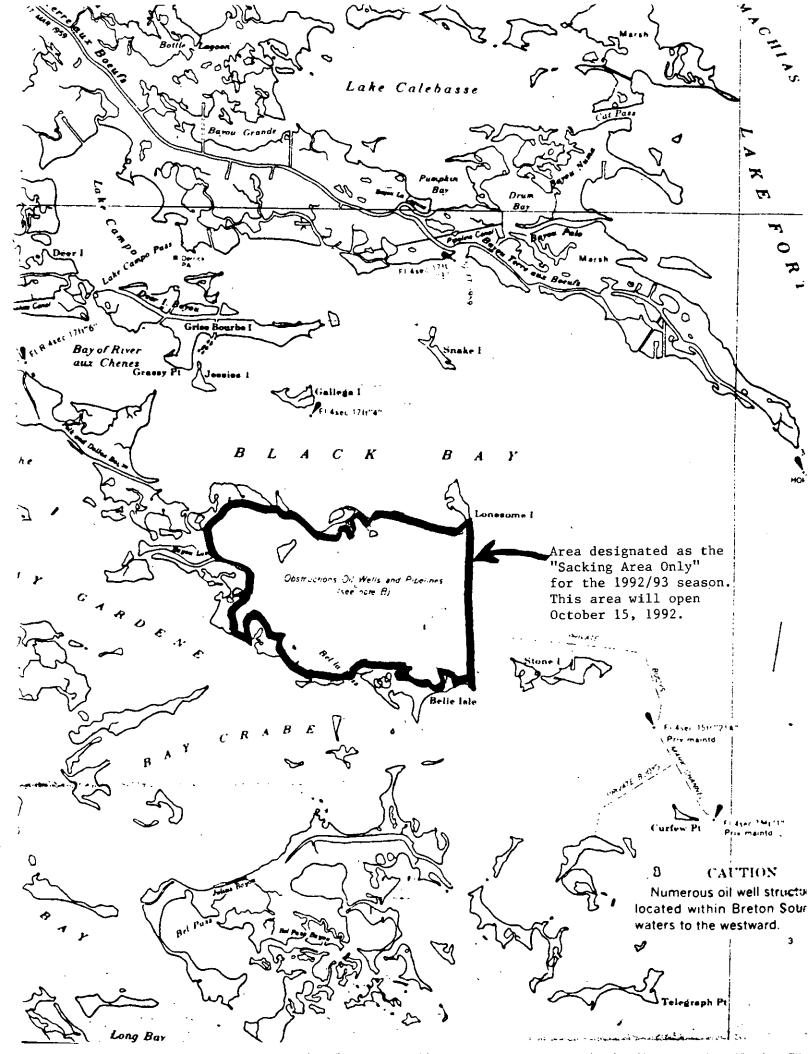
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- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the "Bay Gardene and Bay Junop Oyster Seed Reservations" will remain closed during the 1992/93 oyster season, and
- BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED, that the area generally described in the enclosed map and generally called "Lower Black Bay" will be set aside as a sacking area only and will not open until 1/2 hour before sunrise October 15, 1992, and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is authorized to take emergency action if necessary, to close areas if oyster mortalities are occurring or to delay the season or close areas where significant spat catch has occurred with good probability of survival, or where it is found that there are excessive amounts of shell in seed oyster loads, and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary will also have the authority to take emergency action to reopen areas previously closed if the threat to the resource has ended, and
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, notice of any opening, delaying or closing of a season will be made by public notice at least 72 hours prior to such action.

Jimmy Jenkins, Chairman LA Wildlife and Fisheries Commission Joe L. Herring Secretary



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SUBJECT: RECONSIDERATION TO AMEND/ELIMINATE THE "SPOTTED

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**DEAR COMMISSION MEMBERS:** 

THIS IS A FORMAL REQUEST/PETITION FOR YOU TO RECONSIDER AMENDING/ELIMINATING YOUR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE "SPOTTED SEATROUT MANAGEMENT MEASURES" RATIFIED DURING YOUR FEBRUARY 1992 MEETING.

THE BASIS FOR THIS PETITION/REQUEST IS:

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SUSAN HAWKINS
LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF
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P.O. BOX 98000
BATON ROUGE, LA 70898-9000

# DEAR MRS HAWKINS:

I HAVE ENCLOSED COPIES OF THE REQUEST/PETITION ON THE "SPOTTED SEATROUT MANAGEMENT MEASURES" WHICH IS ON THE AGENDA OF THE AUGUST COMMISSION MEETING.

WOULD YOU SEE THAT THE REQUIRED PEOPLE GET A COPY OF THIS.

THANKING YOU IN ADVANCE.

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ABBEVILLE, LA 70510

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# ENFORCEMENT CASE REPORT JULY 1992

# **ENFORCEMENT CASES FOR JULY 1992**

# **REGION I**

# **TOTAL CASES-96**

# **ENFORCEMENT-96**

## OTHER - 0

- 47-Boating
- 26-Fish W/O Resident Pole Lic.
- 1-Use Gear W/O Recreational Gear Lic.
- 2-Take Illegal Size Black Bass
- 1-Hunting W/O Resident Lic.
- 1-Operating Vehicle While Intoxicated
- 1-Littering

# **CONFISCATIONS:**

8 black bass, One 3" Hoop Net.

# **GRAND TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION I**

- 47-Boating
- 46-Fishing
- 1-Hunting
- 2-Miscellaneous

# **REGION 2**

# **TOTAL CASES-148**

# **ENFORCEMENT-148**

# OTHER 0

- 64-Boating
- 28-Angling W/O a License
- 39-Fish W/O Resident Pole Lic.
- 2-Take Illegal Size Black Bass
- 5-Operating Vehicle While Intoxicated
- 4-Littering
- 5-Other Than Wildlife And Fisheries
- 1-Driving Without Operators License

# **CONFISCATIONS:**

none.

# **GRAND TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 2**

- 64-Boating
- 69-Fishing
- 10-Other
- 5-DWI

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## **REGION 3**

### **TOTAL CASES-192**

### **ENFORCEMENT-184**

# OTHER - 8

- 92-Boating
- 43-Angling W/O A License
- 10-Fish W/O Resident Pole Lic.
- 6-Not Abiding By Regulations Of Commission
- 3-Take Game Fish Illegally
- 3-Taking/Poss. Over Limit Or Undersized Freshwater Gamefish
- 4-Take Or Sell Commercial Fish Or Bait Species W/O Comm. Lic.
- 4-Take Commercial Fish W/O Comm. Gear Lic.
- 1-Hunting W/O Non-Resident Lic.
- 2-Possess Of Wild Quadrupeds Or Wild Birds W/O Permit
- 1-Hunt Or Take Deer Or Bear Closed Season
- 1-Possession Of Illegally Taken Deer Or Bear
- 1-Possession Of Live Non-Game Quadrupeds W/O Permit
- 3-Not Abiding By Rules And Regulations On WMA
- 21-Criminal Trespass On Property
- 3-Littering

# **CONFISCATIONS:**

4 deer, 28 bass, 1 spoonbill, 109 lbs. of buffalo, 6 lbs. of catfish, 100 feet of 3" trammel net, 1 high-powered rifle.

# **GRAND TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 3**

92-Boating

27-Other

73-Fishing

# **REGION 4**

# **TOTAL CASES-196**

## **ENFORCEMENT-196**

## OTHER - 0

- 114-Boating
- 86-Angling W/O A License
- 24-Fish W/O Resident Pole Lic.
- 1-Use Gear W/O Recreational Gear Lic.
- 1-Take Or Sell Commercial Fish Or Bait Species W/O Comm. Lic.
- 1-Take Commercial Fish W/O Commercial Gear Lic.
- 1-Use Illegal Lead Nets In Overflow Area
- 1-Hunting W/O Resident Lic.
- 1-Possess Firearms While Frogging
- 1-Hunt Or Take Deer Or Bear Closed Season
- 1-Hunt Or Take Deer Or Bear Illegal Hours

# **CONFISCATIONS:**

1 shotgun, 1 light, 1 deer.

# **GRAND TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 4**

- 114-Boating
- 4-Hunting
- 77-Fishing
- 1-WMA

# **REGION 5**

## **TOTAL CASES-317**

### **ENFORCEMENT-314**

# OTHER - 3

### 150-Boating

- 83-Angling W/O A License
- 1-Use Gear W/O Recreational Gear Lic.
- 4-Take Or Poss. Undersized Red Drum
- 5-Take Or Poss. Undersized Spotted Sea Trout
- 9-Take Or Poss. Undersized Black Drum
- 7-Poss. O/L Spotted Sea Trout
- 3-Fail To Have Commercial Lic. In Poss.
- 1-Take Or Sell Commercial Fish Or Bait Species W/O Comm. Lic.
- 2-Take Commercial Fish W/O Comm. Gear Lic.
- 1-Take Or Poss. Commercial Fish W/O Vessel Lic.
- 1-Sell And/Or Buy Fish W/O Wholesale/Retail Dealer's Lic.
- 1-Fail To Maintain Records
- 1-Transport W/O Required Lic.
- 1-Butterflying In Closed Season
- 1-Possess Firearms While Frogging
- 3-Not Abiding By Rules And Regulations
- 3-Take Alligators W/O License
- 7-Taking Or Possessing Alligators Closed Season
- 1-Operating Vehicle While Intoxicated
- 9-Illegal Possession Of Drugs Or Marijuana
- 16-Littering
- 2-Other

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## **REGION 5 CONT'D.**

- 1-Possess/Take Over Limit Federal Controlled Fish
- 1-Refuse/Misrepresent Booking Info

## **CONFISCATIONS:**

164 spotted sea trout, 29 black drum, 13 red drum, 6 red snapper, 2 alligators, 2 butterfly nets 8X10, 250 lbs. of shrimp sold for \$338.00, 1-14 foot Alumaweld boat, 25 hp. Johnson and trailer, 1-15 foot Duracraft Boat, 25 hp.Mariner and trailer, 1-150 quart Igloo ice chest.

### **GRAND TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 5**

150-Boating 2-Other

167-Fishing

**REGION 6** 

### **TOTAL CASES-249**

**ENFORCEMENT-247** 

OTHER - 2

125-Boating

70-Angling W/O A License

- 23-Fish W/O Resident Pole Lic.
- 2-Use Gear W/O Recreational Gear Lic.
- 3-Take Illegal Size Black Bass
- 1-Take Or Sell Commercial Fish Or Bait Species W/O Comm. Lic.
- 1-Take Commercial Fish W/O Comm. Gear Lic.
- 2-Possess Crabs In Berry Stage
- 3-Possess Undersize Crabs
- 1-Hunting W/O Resident Lic.
- 6-Hunting From Moving Vehicle And/Or Aircraft
- 2-Hunt Or Discharge Firearm From Public Road Or Road Right-Of-Way
- 4-Hunt Or Discharge Firearm From Levee Road

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## REGION 6 CONT'D.

- 2-Possess Rabbits Closed Season
- 1-Hunt Squirrel Closed Season
- 2-Hunt Raccoons Or Opossums Illegally
- 1-Operating Vehicle While Intoxicated

# **CONFISCATIONS:**

2 rifles, 9 squirrels, 3 berry crabs, 1 raccoon, 7 rabbits, 3 black bass, 2119 lbs. of crabs sold to Seafood Inc. of Henderson for \$423.80.

# **GRAND TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 6**

125-Boating

105-Fishing

18-Hunting

1-Misc.

# **REGION 7**

## **TOTAL CASES-449**

**ENFORCEMENT-449** 

OTHER - 0

### 184-Boating

1-Allow Another To Use Recreational Lic.

140-Angling W/O A Lic.

15-Fish W/O Resident Pole Lic.

20-Angling W/O Saltwater Lic.

1-Take Or Poss. Undersized Red Drum

4-Take Or Poss. Undersized Black Drum Commission Action

1-Take Or Poss. O/L Black Drum Commission Action

1-Take Or Sell Commercial Fish Or Bait Species W/O Comm. Lic.

1-Take Commercial Fish W/O Comm. Gear Lic.

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# REGION 7 CONT'D.

- 5-Sell And/Or Buy Fish W/O Wholesale/Retail Dealer's Lic.
- 3-Transport W/O Required Lic.
- 9-Possess Crabs In Berry Stage
- 4-Possess Or Sell Undersized Crabs
- 75-Possess Undersize Crabs
- 1-Fail To Comply W/Shark Permit And Report Rules
- 2-Commercial Truck W/O Display Of Owner Name And Address
- 1-Failure To Tag Sacked Or Containerized Oysters
- 1-Taking Or Possession Of Other Non-Game Birds-No Season
- 1-Resisting An Officer
- 11-Operating Vehicle While Intoxicated
- 1-Littering
- 1-Criminal Mischief

# **CONFISCATIONS:**

203 sacks of oysters, 373 bushels of crabs

# **GRAND TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 7**

184-Boating

250-Fishing

- 1-Federal
- 14-Other

### **REGION 8**

## **TOTAL CASES-361**

### **ENFORCEMENT-309**

### OTHER - 52

79-Boating

114-Angling W/O A License

1-Fish W/O Resident Pole Lic.

6-Use Gear W/O Recreational Gear Lic.

18-Angling W/O Saltwater Lic.

3-Poss. O/L Of Red Drum

**4-Fail To Have Intact** 

9-Take Or Poss. Undersized Red Drum

15-Take Or Poss. Undersized Spotted Sea Trout

5-Take Or Poss. Undersized Black Drum

7-Poss. O/L Spotted Sea Trout

1-Not Abiding By Commission Rules & Regulations Comm. Finfish

2-Fail To have Commercial Lic. In Poss.

1-Fail To Sell Commercial Fish Or Bait Species W/O Comm. Lic.

4-Take Commercial fish W/O Comm. Gear Lic.

6-Take Or Poss. Commercial Fish W/O Vessel Lic.

2-Sell And/Or Buy Fish W/O Wholesale/Retail Dealer's Lic.

1-Fail To Maintain Records

2-Transport W/O Required Lic.

1-Take Commercial Fish W/Non-Approved Devices

4-Leave Nets Unattended

6-Take Or Poss. Undersize Commercial Finfish

2-Sell And/Or Purchase Game Fish

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## **REGION 8 CONT'D.**

- 4-Blocking Passage Of Fish
- 3-Possess Crabs In Berry Stage
- 5-Destroy Legal Crab Traps Or Removing Contents
- 1-Fail To Mark Crab Containers
- 2-Permit Unlicensed Person To Operate Commercial Vessel
- 2-Take/Possess Oysters W/O Oyster Harvester Lic.
- 2-Failure To Mark/Tag Nets
- 4-Take/Possess Undersized Black Drum Commercial
- 3-Theft Of Crab Trap
- 4-Possess Or Sell Undersized Crabs
- 1-Commercial Truck W/O Display Of Owner Name & Address
- 9-Trawling In Closed Season
- 13-Trawling Inside Waters W/Oversized Double Rigs
- 2-Butterflying In Closed Season
- 2-Use Skimmers In Closed Season
- 1-Failure To Have Written Permission
- 3-Harvest Oysters W/O Oyster Harvester License
- 2-Not Abiding By Rules And Regulations On WMA
- 4-Littering
- 7-Violation Of Sanitary Code-Chapter 9

### **CONFISCATIONS:**

19 trawls, 33 crab traps, 6,000 feet of gill nets, 66 red drum, 18 red snapper, 80 black drum, 453 speckled trout, 2 flounder, 2 trigger fish, 2 grouper, 2 sheepshead, 1638 catfish-610 catfish sold for \$81.60 rest donated, 19 fish filets, 1,476 pounds of shrimp for \$2,275.25, 75 sacks of oysters, 46 boxes of crabs.

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## **GRAND TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY REGION 8**

79-Boating

176-Sport Fishing

63-Commercial Fishing

26-Trawling

4-Oyster

11-Miscellaneous

02-WMA

**REGION 9** 

# **TOTAL CASES-387**

**ENFORCEMENT-367** 

<u>OTHER - 20</u>

79-Boating

109-Angling W/O A License

3-Fish W/O Resident Pole Lic.

5-Use Gear Lic. W/O Recreational Gear Lic.

44-Angling W/O Saltwater Lic.

2-Take Game Fish Illegally

1-Taking/Poss. Over Limit Or Undersized Freshwater Gamefish

12-Poss. O/L Of Red Drum

31-Take Or Poss. Undersized Red Drum

11-Take Or Poss. Undersized Black Drum

28-Take Or Poss. Undersized Spotted Sea Trout

1-Not Abiding By Commission Rules Finfish

2-Fail To Have Commercial Lic. In Poss.

2-Take Or Sell Commercial Fish Or Bait Species W/O Comm. Lic.

6-Take Commercial Fish W/O Comm. Gear Lic.

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## **REGION 9 CONT'D.**

- 6-Take Or Poss. Commercial Fish W/O Vessel Lic.
- 2-Sell And/Or Buy Fish W/O Wholesale/Retail Dealer's Lic.
- 2-Use Illegal Mesh Nets
- 1-Illegal Use Of Monofilament
- 4-Take Or Poss. Undersize Commercial Finfish
- 4-Blocking Passage Of Fish
- 9-Possess Crabs In Berry Stage
- 1-Use Illegal Length-Mesh Nets-Freshwater
- 5-Possess Or Sell Undersized Crabs
- 1-Commercial Truck W/O Display Of Owner Name & Address
- 1-Trawling In Closed Season
- 2-Butterflying In Closed Season
- 2-Take Shrimp Illegal Gear
- 2-Unlawfully Take Oysters From State Water Bottoms
- 2-Harvest Oysters W/O Oyster Harvester License
- 1-Operating A Vehicle While Intoxicated

## **CONFISCATIONS:**

1850 lbs of crabs, 13 sacks of oysters, 2 bass, 775 lbs. of catfish sold for \$70.00, 17 red drum, 39 black drum, 1 gray snapper, 12 white sand trout, 1 flounder, 4 sac-au-lait, 2 yellow bass, 3 butterfly nets, 1,370 feet of gill net.

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#### GRAND TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 9

79-Boating

298-Fishing

5-Trawling

4-Oysters

1-Misc.

# **OYSTER STRIKE FORCE**

# **TOTAL CASES-77**

- 37-Take/Possess Undersize Crabs
- 10-Violation Of Sanitation Code
- 9-Take/Possess Crabs In Berry Stage
- 5-Fail To Possess Wholesale/Retail License
- 3-No Oyster Harvester License
- 2-No Vessel License
- 2-Improper Oyster Tags
- 2-Offer Game Fish For Sale
- 2-Take/Possess Undersize Catfish
- 4-Take/Possess Undersize Black Drum
- 1-Fail To Possess A Commercial Fisherman's License

# **CONFISCATIONS:**

12,700 lbs. of crabs, 5,900 mullet, 493 flounder, 543 sacks of oysters, 156 catfish, 64 lbs. of crab meat, 11 bait fish, 27 black drum, 2 flounder, 2 redfish.

### SPECIAL STRIKE FORCE

## **TOTAL CASES-170**

- 4-Boating
- 36-Angling W/O A License
- 2-Use Gear W/O Recreational Gear Lic.
- 11-Take Or Poss. Undersized Red Drum
- 6-Take Or Poss. Undersized Spotted Sea Trout
- 5-Take Or Poss. Undersized Black Drum Commission Action
- 1-Fail To Have Commercial Lic. In Poss.
- 1-Take Or Sell Commercial Fish Or Bait Species W/O Comm. Lic.
- 3-Take Commercial Fish W/O Comm. Gear Lic.
- 2-Take Or Poss. Commercial Fish W/O Vessel Lic.
- 2-Sell And/Or Buy Fish W/O Wholesale/Retail Dealer's Lic.
- 3-Transport W/O Required Lic.
- 1-Sell And/Or Purchase Game Fish
- 14-Possess Crabs In Berry Stage
- 77-Possess Undersize Crabs
- 2-Butterflying In Closed Season
- 1-Failure To Fill Out Oyster Tags Correctly
- 3-Not Abiding By Rules And Regs. On WMA
- 3-Lacy Act
- 2-Violation Of Sanitary Code-Chapter 9
- 3-Take Alligators W/O License
- 3-Taking Or Possessing Alligators Closed Season
- 1-Operating Vehicle While Intoxicated

## **CONFISCATIONS:**

293 lbs. of brown shrimp, 4 butterfly nets, 1-50 feet of shrimp trawl, 5 shrimp baskets, 17 undersized spotted

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# STRIKE FORCE CONFISCATIONS CONT'D.

sea trout, 52 undersized red drum, 17 undersized black drum, 925 berry crabs, 203 sacks of oysters, 38,290 lbs. of undersized crabs, 2 boats, 1 alligator.

# GRAND TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR SPECIAL STRIKE FORCE

4-Boating

167-Fishing

2-Other

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# **S,W,E.P.**

# **TOTAL CASES-26**

# 191 HOURS RUNNING TIME

# **164 BOATS CHECKED**

- 19-Angling W/O A License
- 2-Possess Undersize Spotted Sea Trout
- 1-Angling W/O Saltwater License
- 3-Expired Boat Numbers
- 1-Improper Boat Numbers

# **CONFISCATIONS:**

442 lbs. of shrimp sold for \$729.30.

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TOTAL CASES ENFORCE	CEMENT	<u>- 2668</u>
TOTAL CASES OTHER	DIV	<u>85</u>
TOTAL CASES OSF	-	37
TOTAL CASES SSF		170
TOTAL CASES SWEP	•	<u> 26</u>
GRAND TOTAL	<b>-</b>	2901

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# **ENFORCEMENT CASES FOR JULY 1992**

# **REGION I**

# **TOTAL CASES-96**

# **ENFORCEMENT-96**

OTHER - 0

47-Boating

26-Fish W/O Resident Pole Lic.

1-Use Gear W/O Recreational Gear Lic.

2-Take Illegal Size Black Bass

1-Hunting W/O Resident Lic.

1-Operating Vehicle While Intoxicated

1-Littering

# **CONFISCATIONS:**

8 black bass, One 3" Hoop Net.

# **GRAND TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION I**

47-Boating

46-Fishing

1-Hunting

2-Miscellaneous

# **REGION 2**

# **TOTAL CASES-148**

# **ENFORCEMENT-148**

# OTHER 0

- 64-Boating
- 28-Angling W/O a License
- 39-Fish W/O Resident Pole Lic.
- 2-Take Illegal Size Black Bass
  - 5-Operating Vehicle While Intoxicated
- 4-Littering
- 5-Other Than Wildlife And Fisheries
- 1-Driving Without Operators License

# **CONFISCATIONS**;

none.

# **GRAND TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 2**

- 64-Boating
- 69-Fishing
- 10-Other
- 5-DWI

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# **REGION 3**

# **TOTAL CASES-192**

# **ENFORCEMENT-184**

### OTHER - 8

- 92-Boating
- 43-Angling W/O A License
- 10-Fish W/O Resident Pole Lic.
- 6-Not Abiding By Regulations Of Commission
- 3-Take Game Fish Illegally
- 3-Taking/Poss. Over Limit Or Undersized Freshwater Gamefish
- 4-Take Or Sell Commercial Fish Or Bait Species W/O Comm. Lic.
- 4-Take Commercial Fish W/O Comm. Gear Lic.
- 1-Hunting W/O Non-Resident Lic.
- 2-Possess Of Wild Quadrupeds Or Wild Birds W/O Permit
- 1-Hunt Or Take Deer Or Bear Closed Season
- 1-Possession Of Illegally Taken Deer Or Bear
- 1-Possession Of Live Non-Game Quadrupeds W/O Permit
- 3-Not Abiding By Rules And Regulations On WMA
- 21-Criminal Trespass On Property
- 3-Littering

# **CONFISCATIONS:**

4 deer, 28 bass, 1 spoonbill, 109 lbs. of buffalo, 6 lbs. of catfish, 100 feet of 3" trammel net, 1 high-powered rifle.

## **GRAND TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 3**

92-Boating

27-Other

73-Fishing

# **REGION 4**

# **TOTAL CASES-196**

# **ENFORCEMENT-196**

OTHER - 0

114-Boating

86-Angling W/O A License

24-Fish W/O Resident Pole Lic.

1-Use Gear W/O Recreational Gear Lic.

1-Take Or Sell Commercial Fish Or Bait Species W/O Comm. Lic.

1-Take Commercial Fish W/O Commercial Gear Lic.

1-Use Illegal Lead Nets In Overflow Area

1-Hunting W/O Resident Lic.

1-Possess Firearms While Frogging

1-Hunt Or Take Deer Or Bear Closed Season

1-Hunt Or Take Deer Or Bear Illegal Hours

# **CONFISCATIONS:**

1 shotgun, 1 light, 1 deer.

# **GRAND TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 4**

114-Boating

4-Hunting

77-Fishing

1-WMA

# **REGION 5**

# **TOTAL CASES-317**

## **ENFORCEMENT-314**

### OTHER - 3

150-Boating

83-Angling W/O A License

1-Use Gear W/O Recreational Gear Lic.

4-Take Or Poss. Undersized Red Drum

5-Take Or Poss. Undersized Spotted Sea Trout

9-Take Or Poss. Undersized Black Drum

7-Poss. O/L Spotted Sea Trout

3-Fail To Have Commercial Lic. In Poss.

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2-Take Commercial Fish W/O Comm. Gear Lic.

1-Take Or Poss. Commercial Fish W/O Vessel Lic.

1-Sell And/Or Buy Fish W/O Wholesale/Retail Dealer's Lic.

1-Fail To Maintain Records

1-Transport W/O Required Lic.

1-Butterflying In Closed Season

1-Possess Firearms While Frogging

3-Not Abiding By Rules And Regulations

3-Take Alligators W/O License

7-Taking Or Possessing Alligators Closed Season

1-Operating Vehicle While Intoxicated

9-Illegal Possession Of Drugs Or Marijuana

16-Littering

2-Other

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## **REGION 5 CONT'D.**

- 1-Possess/Take Over Limit Federal Controlled Fish
- 1-Refuse/Misrepresent Booking Info

# **CONFISCATIONS:**

164 spotted sea trout, 29 black drum, 13 red drum, 6 red snapper, 2 alligators, 2 butterfly nets 8X10, 250 lbs. of shrimp sold for \$338.00, 1-14 foot Alumaweld boat, 25 hp. Johnson and trailer, 1-15 foot Duracraft Boat, 25 hp.Mariner and trailer, 1-150 quart Igloo ice chest.

### **GRAND TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 5**

150-Boating 2-Other

167-Fishing

**REGION 6** 

**TOTAL CASES-249** 

**ENFORCEMENT-247** 

OTHER - 2

125-Boating

70-Angling W/O A License

- 23-Fish W/O Resident Pole Lic.
- 2-Use Gear W/O Recreational Gear Lic.
- 3-Take Illegal Size Black Bass
- 1-Take Or Sell Commercial Fish Or Bait Species W/O Comm. Lic.
- 1-Take Commercial Fish W/O Comm. Gear Lic.
- 2-Possess Crabs In Berry Stage
- 3-Possess Undersize Crabs
- 1-Hunting W/O Resident Lic.
- 6-Hunting From Moving Vehicle And/Or Aircraft
- 2-Hunt Or Discharge Firearm From Public Road Or Road Right-Of-Way
- 4-Hunt Or Discharge Firearm From Levee Road

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## **REGION 6 CONT'D.**

- 2-Possess Rabbits Closed Season
- 1-Hunt Squirrel Closed Season
- 2-Hunt Raccoons Or Opossums Illegally
- 1-Operating Vehicle While Intoxicated

## **CONFISCATIONS:**

2 rifles, 9 squirrels, 3 berry crabs, 1 raccoon, 7 rabbits, 3 black bass, 2119 lbs. of crabs sold to Seafood Inc. of Henderson for \$423.80.

# **GRAND TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 6**

125-Boating

105-Fishing

18-Hunting

1-Misc.

# **REGION 7**

## **TOTAL CASES-449**

**ENFORCEMENT-449** 

OTHER - 0

### 184-Boating

1-Allow Another To Use Recreational Lic.

140-Angling W/O A Lic.

15-Fish W/O Resident Pole Lic.

20-Angling W/O Saltwater Lic.

1-Take Or Poss. Undersized Red Drum

4-Take Or Poss. Undersized Black Drum Commission Action

1-Take Or Poss. O/L Black Drum Commission Action

1-Take Or Sell Commercial Fish Or Bait Species W/O Comm. Lic.

1-Take Commercial Fish W/O Comm. Gear Lic.

## REGION 7 CONT'D.

- 5-Sell And/Or Buy Fish W/O Wholesale/Retail Dealer's Lic.
- 3-Transport W/O Required Lic.
- 9-Possess Crabs In Berry Stage
- 4-Possess Or Sell Undersized Crabs
- 75-Possess Undersize Crabs
- 1-Fail To Comply W/Shark Permit And Report Rules
- 2-Commercial Truck W/O Display Of Owner Name And Address
- 1-Failure To Tag Sacked Or Containerized Oysters
- 1-Taking Or Possession Of Other Non-Game Birds-No Season
- 1-Resisting An Officer
- 11-Operating Vehicle While Intoxicated
- 1-Littering
- 1-Criminal Mischief

## **CONFISCATIONS:**

203 sacks of oysters, 373 bushels of crabs

# **GRAND TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 7**

- 184-Boating
- 250-Fishing
  - 1-Federal
- 14-Other

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### **REGION 8**

# **TOTAL CASES-361**

### **ENFORCEMENT-309**

### OTHER - 52

- 79-Boating
- 114-Angling W/O A License
  - 1-Fish W/O Resident Pole Lic.
  - 6-Use Gear W/O Recreational Gear Lic.
- 18-Angling W/O Saltwater Lic.
- 3-Poss. O/L Of Red Drum
- 4-Fail To Have Intact
- 9-Take Or Poss, Undersized Red Drum
- 15-Take Or Poss. Undersized Spotted Sea Trout
- 5-Take Or Poss. Undersized Black Drum
- 7-Poss. O/L Spotted Sea Trout
- 1-Not Abiding By Commission Rules & Regulations Comm. Finfish
- 2-Fail To have Commercial Lic. In Poss.
- 1-Fail To Sell Commercial Fish Or Bait Species W/O Comm. Lic.
- 4-Take Commercial fish W/O Comm. Gear Lic:
- 6-Take Or Poss. Commercial Fish W/O Vessel Lic.
- 2-Sell And/Or Buy Fish W/O Wholesale/Retail Dealer's Lic.
- 1-Fail To Maintain Records
- 2-Transport W/O Required Lic.
- 1-Take Commercial Fish W/Non-Approved Devices
- 4-Leave Nets Unattended
- 6-Take Or Poss. Undersize Commercial Finfish
- 2-Sell And/Or Purchase Game Fish

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## **REGION 8 CONT'D.**

- 4-Blocking Passage Of Fish
- 3-Possess Crabs In Berry Stage
- 5-Destroy Legal Crab Traps Or Removing Contents
- 1-Fail To Mark Crab Containers
- 2-Permit Unlicensed Person To Operate Commercial Vessel
- 2-Take/Possess Oysters W/O Oyster Harvester Lic.
- 2-Failure To Mark/Tag Nets
- 4-Take/Possess Undersized Black Drum Commercial
- 3-Theft Of Crab Trap
- 4-Possess Or Self Undersized Crabs
- 1-Commercial Truck W/O Display Of Owner Name & Address
- 9-Trawling In Closed Season
- 13-Trawling Inside Waters W/Oversized Double Rigs
- 2-Butterflying In Closed Season
- 2-Use Skimmers In Closed Season
- 1-Failure To Have Written Permission
- 3-Harvest Oysters W/O Oyster Harvester License
- 2-Not Abiding By Rules And Regulations On WMA
- 4-Littering
- 7-Violation Of Sanitary Code-Chapter 9

# **CONFISCATIONS:**

19 trawls, 33 crab traps, 6,000 feet of gill nets, 66 red drum, 18 red snapper, 80 black drum, 453 speckled trout, 2 flounder, 2 trigger fish, 2 grouper, 2 sheepshead, 1638 catfish-610 catfish sold for \$81.60 rest donated, 19 fish filets, 1,476 pounds of shrimp for \$2,275.25, 75 sacks of oysters, 46 boxes of crabs.

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# **GRAND TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY REGION 8**

79-Boating

176-Sport Fishing

63-Commercial Fishing

26-Trawling

4-Oyster

11-Miscellaneous

02-WMA

**REGION 9** 

# **TOTAL CASES-387**

**ENFORCEMENT-367** 

<u>OTHER - 20</u>

79-Boating

109-Angling W/O A License

3-Fish W/O Resident Pole Lic.

5-Use Gear Lic. W/O Recreational Gear Lic.

44-Angling W/O Saltwater Lic.

2-Take Game Fish Illegally

1-Taking/Poss. Over Limit Or Undersized Freshwater Gamefish

12-Poss. O/L Of Red Drum

31-Take Or Poss. Undersized Red Drum

11-Take Or Poss. Undersized Black Drum

28-Take Or Poss. Undersized Spotted Sea Trout

1-Not Abiding By Commission Rules Finfish

2-Fail To Have Commercial Lic. In Poss.

2-Take Or Sell Commercial Fish Or Bait Species W/O Comm. Lic.

6-Take Commercial Fish W/O Comm. Gear Lic.

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## REGION 9 CONT'D.

- 6-Take Or Poss. Commercial Fish W/O Vessel Lic.
- 2-Sell And/Or Buy Fish W/O Wholesale/Retail Dealer's Lic.
- 2-Use Illegal Mesh Nets
- 1-Illegal Use Of Monofilament
- 4-Take Or Poss. Undersize Commercial Finfish
- 4-Blocking Passage Of Fish
- 9-Possess Crabs In Berry Stage
- 1-Use Illegal Length-Mesh Nets-Freshwater
- 5-Possess Or Sell Undersized Crabs
- 1-Commercial Truck W/O Display Of Owner Name & Address
- 1-Trawling In Closed Season
- 2-Butterflying In Closed Season
- 2-Take Shrimp Illegal Gear
- 2-Unlawfully Take Oysters From State Water Bottoms
- 2-Harvest Oysters W/O Oyster Harvester License
- 1-Operating A Vehicle While Intoxicated

## **CONFISCATIONS**;

1850 lbs of crabs, 13 sacks of oysters, 2 bass, 775 lbs. of catfish sold for \$70.00, 17 red drum, 39 black drum, 1 gray snapper, 12 white sand trout, 1 flounder, 4 sac-au-lait, 2 yellow bass, 3 butterfly nets, 1,370 feet of gill net.

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# **GRAND TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 9**

79-Boating

298-Fishing

5-Trawling

4-Oysters

1-Misc.

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## **OYSTER STRIKE FORCE**

# **TOTAL CASES-77**

- 37-Take/Possess Undersize Crabs
- 10-Violation Of Sanitation Code
- 9-Take/Possess Crabs In Berry Stage
- 5-Fail To Possess Wholesale/Retail License
- 3-No Oyster Harvester License
- 2-No Vessel License
- 2-Improper Oyster Tags
- 2-Offer Game Fish For Sale
- 2-Take/Possess Undersize Catfish
- 4-Take/Possess Undersize Black Drum
- 1-Fail To Possess A Commercial Fisherman's License

# **CONFISCATIONS:**

12,700 lbs. of crabs, 5,900 mullet, 493 flounder, 543 sacks of oysters, 156 catfish, 64 lbs. of crab meat, 11 bait fish, 27 black drum, 2 flounder, 2 redfish.

### SPECIAL STRIKE FORCE

#### **TOTAL CASES-170**

- 4-Boating
- 36-Angling W/O A License
- 2-Use Gear W/O Recreational Gear Lic.
- 11-Take Or Poss. Undersized Red Drum
- 6-Take Or Poss. Undersized Spotted Sea Trout
- 5-Take Or Poss. Undersized Black Drum Commission Action
- 1-Fail To Have Commercial Lic. In Poss.
- 1-Take Or Sell Commercial Fish Or Bait Species W/O Comm. Lic.
- 3-Take Commercial Fish W/O Comm. Gear Lic.
- 2-Take Or Poss. Commercial Fish W/O Vessel Lic.
- 2-Sell And/Or Buy Fish W/O Wholesale/Retail Dealer's Lic.
- 3-Transport W/O Required Lic.
- 1-Sell And/Or Purchase Game Fish
- 14-Possess Crabs In Berry Stage
- 77-Possess Undersize Crabs
- 2-Butterflying In Closed Season
- 1-Failure To Fill Out Oyster Tags Correctly
- 3-Not Abiding By Rules And Regs. On WMA
- 3-Lacy Act
- 2-Violation Of Sanitary Code-Chapter 9
- 3-Take Alligators W/O License
- 3-Taking Or Possessing Alligators Closed Season
- 1-Operating Vehicle While Intoxicated

# **CONFISCATIONS**;

293 lbs. of brown shrimp, 4 butterfly nets, 1-50 feet of shrimp trawl, 5 shrimp baskets, 17 undersized spotted

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#### STRIKE FORCE CONFISCATIONS CONT'D,

sea trout, 52 undersized red drum, 17 undersized black drum, 925 berry crabs, 203 sacks of oysters, 38,290

lbs. of undersized crabs, 2 boats, 1 alligator.

#### GRAND TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR SPECIAL STRIKE FORCE

4-Boating

167-Fishing

2-Other

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#### S.W.E.P.

#### **TOTAL CASES-26**

# 191 HOURS RUNNING TIME

# 164 BOATS CHECKED

- 19-Angling W/O A License
- 2-Possess Undersize Spotted Sea Trout
- 1-Angling W/O Saltwater License
- 3-Expired Boat Numbers
- 1-Improper Boat Numbers

# **CONFISCATIONS:**

442 lbs. of shrimp sold for \$729.30.

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MEMORANDUM:

FROM:

Lee Caubarreaux, Assistant Secretary

Aviation Report - To

SUBJECT:

Total hours listed are:

PILOT	TOTA	L HOURS
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B. Stamey	-	8.5
M. Windham	-	8.3
D. Clause	•	1.6
TOTAL HOURS	a erekatarena (j. 18.	47.40

-0- No Flights

P	PLANE		FLIGHT HOURS	ESTIMATED <sup>1</sup> COST(TOTAL)	ACTUAL <sup>2</sup> COST(TOTAL)
N61092	Amphib	-	7.8	970.40	6,273.13
ท70365	Float-DC	-	1.6	186.80	2,381.61
N257 <b>6</b> K	Float-MW	-	8.3	988.10	745.17
N9467Y	210	-	23.4	2,260.00	3,364.33
N223MS	Partenavia	-	6.3	1,174.80	671.83
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Debbie Unbehagen, Fiscal

JUNE, 1992

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N223MS (Partenavia)				
06/04/92	Stamey	Jonesville-Catahoula Lake	2.2	J. Emfinger
06/10/92	Stamey	DeRidder-WMA Meeting	2.9	B. Bateman B. Love
06/24/92	Stamey	New Iberia & return	1.2	J. Herring D. Lee
•		TOTAL	6.3	
DATE	PILOT	DESTINATION & PURPOSE	HOURS	PASSENGERS
N9467Y (210)				
06/02/92	Rackle	Baton Rouge-New Orleans: Reposition	0.6	
06/03/92	Rackle	New Orleans-Houma-Coastal: DNR Permits	1.7	R. Serpas
06/03/92	Rackle	New Orleans-Coastal: DNR Permits	1.2	R. Latapie G. Duncan
06/08/92	Rackle	New Orleans-Rockefeller-Coastal: Alligator Nest Survey	5.2	G. Perry
06/09/92	Rackle	New Orleans-Baton Rouge-Salvador- New Orleans: Alligator Nest Survey	3.0	L. Caubarreaux
06/10/92	Rackle	New Orleans-Baton Rouge-New Orleans: return from Tagging Project	1.0	L. Caubarreaux
06/16/92	Rackle	New Orleans-Coastal: Enforcement	3.1	R. Martin
06/16/92	Rackle	New Orleans-Coatal: DNR Permits	1.3	T. Killeen
06/18/92	Rackle	New Orleans-Coastal: DNR Permits	2.1	R. Serpas
06/24/92 .	Rackle	New Orleans-Coastal: DNR Permits	1.4	R. Latapie
06/24/92	Rackle	New Orleans-Baton Rouge: return aircraft	0.6	
06/25/92	Stamey	Baton Rouge-Coastal: Loop Pipeline	2.2	R. Allemand
		TOTAL	23.40	

DATE	PILOT	DESTINATION & PURPOSE	HOURS	PASSENGERS
N70365 (Float-DC)				
06/15/92	Clause	Test flight with new radios	0.5	
06/18/92	Clause	Test flight with new radio	0.5	
06/19/92	Clause	Houma - 100 Hour Inspection	0.6	
		TOTAL	1.6	
DATE	PILOT	DESTINATION & PURPOSE	HOURS	PASSENGERS
N61092 (Amphib)				
06/02/92	Rackle	New Orleans-Baton Rouge: Inspection	0.7	
06/25/92	Rackle	Baton Rouge-New Orleans: test flight & return from inspection	1.2	
06/26/92	Rackle	New Orleans-Galliano-Houma- Coastal: DNR Permits	3.1	K. Kilgen R. Serpas
06/29/92	Rackle	New Orleans-Coastal-New Iberia: Mgt. Area Project Surveys	2.8	M. Windham
		TOTAL	7.8	
DATE	PILOT	DESTINATION & PURPOSE	HOURS	PASSENGERS
N2576K (Float-MW)		·		
06/02/92	Windham .	Pass-a-Loutre Wma: 3-D Seismic Review	1.5	none
06/05/92	Windham	St. Tammany Refuge: review St. Tammany Refuge & document Eagle Nest & Osprey Nest	. 5	none
06/08/92	Windham	Salvador WMA: review Salvador area for alligator nest prod.	2.5	none
06/09/92	Windham	Salvador WMA: review Salvador WMA area	. 5	L. Caubarreaux G. Rackle
06/10/92	Windham	Return to New Orleans from Salvador WMA	. 3	L. Caubarreaux G. Rackle
06/12/92	Windham	New Iberia: aircraft maintenance (paint)	1.6	none

06/29/92 ·	Windham	New Iberia: pickup aircraft & return to New Orleans; review Atch. Delta, Pointe-au-Chien Mineral Act. & Coastal Restoration Project-New Orleans	1.4	none
		TOTAL	8.3	

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06/03/92	Rackle	New Orleans-Coastal: DNR Permits	1.2	R. Latapie G. Duncan
06/08/92	Rackle	New Orleans-Rockefeller-Coastal: Alligator Nest Survey	5.2	G. Perry
06/09/92	Rackle	New Orleans-Baton Rouge-Salvador- New Orleans: Alligator Nest Survey	3.0	L. Caubarreaux
06/10/92	Rackle	New Orleans-Baton Rouge-New Orleans: return from Tagging Project	1.0	L. Caubarreaux
06/16/92	Rackle	New Orleans-Coastal: Enforcement	3.1	R. Martin
06/16/92	Rackle	New Orleans-Coatal: DNR Permits	1.3	T. Killeen
06/18/92	Rackle	New Orleans-Coastal: DNR Permits	2.1	R. Serpas
06/24/92	Rackle	New Orleans-Coastal: DNR Permits	1.4	R. Latapie
06/24/92	Rackle	New Orleans-Baton Rouge: return aircraft	0.6	
06/25/92	Stamey	Baton Rouge-Coastal: Loop Pipeline	2.2	R. Allemand
		TOTAL	23.40	

DATE	PILOT	DESTINATION & PURPOSE	HOURS	PASSENGERS
N70365 (Float-DC)				
06/15/92	Clause	Test flight with new radios	0.5	
06/18/92	Clause	Test flight with new radio	0.5	
06/19/92	Clause	Houma - 100 Hour Inspection	0.6	
		TOTAL	1.6	
DATE	PILOT	DESTINATION & PURPOSE	HOURS	PASSENGERS
N61092 (Amphib)				
06/02/92	Rackle	New Orleans-Baton Rouge: Inspection	0.7	
06/25/92	Rackle	Baton Rouge-New Orleans: test flight & return from inspection	1.2	
06/26/92	Rackle	New Orleans-Galliano-Houma- Coastal: DNR Permits	3.1	K. Kilgen R. Serpas
06/29/92	Rackle	New Orleans-Coastal-New Iberia: Mgt. Area Project Surveys	2.8	M. Windham
		TOTAL	7.8	
DATE	PILOT	DESTINATION & PURPOSE	HOURS	PASSENGERS
N2576K (Float-MW)				
06/02/92	Windham	Pass-a-Loutre Wma: 3-D Seismic Review	1.5	none
06/05/92	Windham	St. Tammany Refuge: review St. Tammany Refuge & document Eagle Nest & Osprey Nest	.5	none
06/08/92	Windham	Salvador WMA: review Salvador area for alligator nest prod.	2.5	none
06/09/92	Windham	Salvador WMA: review Salvador WMA area	. 5	L. Caubarreaux G. Rackle
06/10/92	Windham	Return to New Orleans from Salvador WMA	. 3	L. Caubarreaux G. Rackle
06/12/92	Windham	New Iberia: aircraft maintenance (paint)	1.6	none

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06/29/92 ·	Windham	New Iberia: pickup aircraft & return to New Orleans; review Atch. Delta, Pointe-au-Chien Mineral Act. & Coastal Restoration Project-New Orleans	1.4	none
		TOTAL	8.3	

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CESSNA 180 FLOAT PLANE N2576K

Major usage of the aircraft involves environmental oversight of Department's coastal WMAs and Refuges (500,000 acres). Usage of the aircraft insures that mineral activities are conducted in an environmentally safe manner. Additionally, the aircraft is utilized for formulating and coordinating restoration projects for the referenced properties. The aircraft is also involved in enforcement activities, major oil spill investigations and has been utilized for several public relations projects which have resulted in national attention being focused on our state's coastal erosion problem.

The Department has derived major benefits both environmentally and monetarily from usage of the aircraft.

The following environmental projects and monetary values are a direct result of the aircraft. All projects are a result of mitigation, oil spill compensation or coastal restoration projects (DNR), which are not funded with LDWF monies. Additionally noted is annual income produced from seismic and mineral activities monitored with the aircraft.

#### PASS-A-LOUTRE WMA

Existing Projects	9 Sediment Diversions - DNR Funding \$ 2,000 ft. Sediment Fencing Oil and	450,000
	Gas Co. Mitigation	20,000
•	6 Sediment Diversion - Oil and Gas	,
	Mitigation	150,000
Proposed Projects	4 Sediment Diversions - DNR Funding	100,000
•	4 Sediment Diversions - Mitigation	100,000
	65,000 ft. Sediment Fencing - DNR Funding	650,000
	Total \$	1,470,000

Total \$ 1,580,000

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SALANDA AIR		
Existing Projects	3,500 ft. Breakwater - C.O.E. Mitigation \$ 875 ft. Breakwater - Oil Spill Compensation 2,000 ft. Sediment Fencing - DNR Funding	500,000 150,000 20,000
Proposed Projects	1,000 acre land acquisition - C.O.E.  Mitigation  Salvador shoreline protection - DNR  Funding  Gulf Canal Bank Stabilization - DNR  Funding  Out Fall Diversion Project	300,000 3,500,000 500,000 100,000
	Total \$	5,070,000
ATCHAFALAÝA DELTA WMA		•
Existing Projects	2,000 ft. Sediment Fencing - DNR Funding and Mitigation \$	20,000
	Total \$	20,000
MARSH ISLAND REFUGE		
Existing Projects	Shell Island Creation - Oil and Gas Project \$	65,000
Proposed Projects	Canal backfilling and sediment nourishment - DNR Funding Marsh Management - DNR Funding	1,500,000
	·	1,865,000
KOCKEFELLER REFUGE		
Existing Projects	Construction of Water Control Structures oil and gas mitigation \$ Construction of plugs - oil and gas mitigation Repair management unit levees - oil and gas mitigation Waterfowl grit sites - oil and gas mitigation	1,000,000 300,000 250,000 30,000
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#### ST. TAMMANY REFUGE

Existing Projects 1,000 ft. Sediment Fencing - DNR Funding \$ 10,000

Proposed Projects 1,000 ft. Sediment Fencing - DNR Funding \$ 10,000

Total \$ 20,000

Mineral income including seismic fees derived from the above properties is approximately 4.5 million per year.

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Joe L. Herring Secretary Department of Wildlife and Fisheries 400 Royal Street New Orleans, LA 70130 (504) 568-5667

Edwin W. Edwards Governor

July 22, 1992

#### WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES AIRCRAFT POLICY

- 1. Aircraft shall be used by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries solely in the conduct of its business. Personal use is prohibited. Any passenger who is not an employee or Commission member must have prior approval of the Secretary, Assistant Secretary, or their designee.
- 2. Flight operations shall be governed by the following priority:
  - 1. Safety
  - 2. Highest quality of service
  - 3. Economy
- All flight operations shall be conducted according to applicable FAA regulations, aircraft and engine manuals, LDWF Flight Operations Manual, insurance provisions, policies of the LDWF, and directives from the Chief Pilot.
- 4. The Assistant Secretary, Office of Wildlife is responsible for operational and financial control of LDWF aircraft. Safety dictates that the Pilot-in-Command have final flight authority.
- 5. Pilot-in-Command assignment to and responsibility for aircraft with retractable gear, multiple engines, in excess of four seats as well as operation in IFR conditions and at night is restricted to full-time Department pilots. All others are confined to the aircraft that they are currently approved to operate under the conditions in which these aircraft are certified for operation under the rules set forth in the LDWF Flight Operations Manual.
- 6. Full-time pilots are those whose sole function with the Department is to fulfill the responsibilities of aircraft pilot to the exclusion of any collateral duties. It is felt that the demands of operating several distinctly different aircraft under various conditions and circumstances should not be extended by burdening the pilot with additional concerns of a biological, enforcement, or administrative nature.
- 7. The Chief Pilot reports to the Assistant Secretary, Office of Wildlife, and is responsible for the training and scheduling of pilots and other personnel assigned to him, as well as maintenance and administration of aircraft. He shall submit a monthly summary of each aircraft.
- 8. All flight personnel shall conduct themselves at the highest standards when on duty. The use of alcohol and/or drugs (not medication) while on duty is strictly prohibited.
- 9. Any other governmental agency using LDWF aircraft must have approval of the Secretary or Assistant Secretary and will be charged a mutually agreed upon rate.

#### PROCEDURES FOR CHIEF PILOT

- 1. The Chief pilot shall abide by and perform the policies of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and report to the Assistant Secretary, Office of Wildlife, Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries.
- 2. The Chief Pilot shall propose and monitor the annual budget, report unusual deviations, and maintain necessary operating and financial records for the FAA and Department of Wildlife and Fisheries. The Chief Pilot shall approve all aircraft expenses and submit to the Assistant Secretary, Office of Wildlife.
- 3. The Chief Pilot is responsible for keeping all employees cognizant of the necessary policies and practices to assure conformity with our standards in appearance and performance of duties.
- 4. The Chief Pilot shall establish and maintain standardized pilot techniques for pre-flight/flight/post-flight operations.
- 5. The Chief Pilot is responsible for establishing general flight guidelines relative to weather, airports, seaplane waters, security and safety provisions. The Chief Pilot shall establish operating procedures for each type aircraft.
- 6. The Chief Pilot shall coordinate maintenance and flight requirements toward achieving the minimum downtime for aircraft while maintaining the highest level of safety and economy.
- 7. The Chief Pilot shall publish a standard operating procedures manual and keep it current. All pilots shall know and follow its provisions. The Chief Pilot shall periodically monitor each person operating LDWF aircraft for professional competence and conduct.

Joe L/Herring

Secretary, Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries

#### LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

#### RESOLUTION

#### August 6, 1992

#### Baton Rouge, Louisiana

- WHEREAS, pursuant to its general policy making authority and particularly LA. R.S. 56:2 the Commission desires to establish its own written policy regarding the utilization of Wildlife and Fisheries aircraft, and
- WHEREAS, the Commission feels that the best utilization of department aircraft to the maximum extent of their capabilities can be achieved through the enactment of such a policy, and
- whereas, the Commission is of the opinion that the proposed policy of the Commission will result in increased Enforcement utilization of department aircraft and thereby, enforcement of wildlife laws will be enhanced, and
- WHEREAS, the Commission is of the opinion that the proposed policy of the Commission will create a safer flying environment for the utilization of Wildlife and Fisheries aircraft.
- THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that this Commission does hereby adopt the following:

#### WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES AIRCRAFT POLICY

- 1. Wildlife and Fisheries aircraft shall be used by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries solely in the conduct of its business. Personal use is prohibited. Any passenger who is not a Department employee or Commission member must have approval of the Secretary, or the flight officer, before the flight.
- 2. Flight operations shall be governed by the following priority:
  - a. Safety
  - b. Highest quality of service
  - c. Economy
- 3. All flight operations shall be conducted according

- to applicable FAA regulations, aircraft and engine manuals, insurance provisions, policies of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and directives from the Chief Pilot.
- 4. The Secretary or his designated flight officer shall be responsible for operational and financial control of Department aircraft. Safety requires the designated pilot have final flight authority. However, no active thunderstorm penetration is permitted. No passenger shall have final flight authority.
- A Chief Pilot shall be designated from the pilots on staff.
- 6. The Chief Pilot shall report to the flight officer, and is responsible for the training and scheduling of pilots and other personnel assigned to him, as well as maintenance, care and administration of the aircraft. He shall submit a monthly summary of activity for each aircraft to the flight officer.
- 7. All flight personnel shall mantain the highest personal standards and conduct themselves accordingly when on duty. The use of alcohol and/or controlled substances (other than prescription) is strictly forbidden and shall be cause for dismissal.
- 8. The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries discourages the use of its aircraft by other governmental agencies. If other agency use does occur, that agency must have approval of the Secretary or the flight officer and will be charged the usual public aircraft charter rate for the aircraft used. Every effort will be made to collect these charges in a timely manner.
- 9. All float equipped aircraft shall be assigned to and utilized by the enforcement division on a daily basis with the understanding that other divisions

shall have access to these aircraft on a preapproved and scheduled basis. The aircraft will be stationed strategically across the state to insure quick response and minimum flying time to cover all state coastal water.

- 10. Department Pilots whose job classification are such shall be assigned to fly all aircraft. Other Department personnel, even though licensed and qualified will not be allowed "pilot privilege" without written approval of the Chief Pilot and the Secretary.
- 11. The Department will not own more aircraft than it employs active and qualified pilots.

APPROVED:

JAMES H. "JIMMY" JENKINS, JR.

CHAIRMAN

JOE L. HERRING

SECRETARY

NOTES:

1992 BIRTHSTONE: TOPAZ

# **NOVEMBER**

FLOWER: CHRYSANTHEMUM 1992

Let us give thanks - if only for the bad things that are never going to happen.

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# THE LOUISIANA SEAFOOD PROMOTION & MARKETING BOARD

MARKETING PLAN

1992 - 1993

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- II. TELEVISION ADVERTISING
- III. BILLBOARD ADVERTISING
  - IV. TRADE SHOW PROGRAM
  - V. TARGET CITY PROGRAM
  - VI. MENU MERCHANDISING PROGRAM
- VII. FOOD EDITOR/PRESS RELEASE PROGRAM
- VIII. DIRECT MAIL PROGRAM
  - IX. SPECIAL PROMOTIONS

#### 92/93 - PAGE 1

- PRINT ADVERTISING 1 full page, 4 color ad to be placed in I. seafood journals to reach wholesalers and foodservice buyers on a national level.
  - Seafood Business
    - 6 issues, cover page 1
    - Seafood Handbook issue
    - Boston Seafood Show program 3.
  - Seafood Leader в.
    - 1. 4 issues
    - Buyers Guide
  - Food Arts C.
    - 3 issues, 2-1/2 pages in each issue
- TELEVISION ADVERTISING Using previously produced commercials with only the cost of air-time involved, we would perhaps run one spot around the holidays for shrimp and another spot (industry) before the legislative session.

#### SELECTIONS:

- Seafood Industry commercial
  - 1. One 30 second spot
  - One 10 second spot 2.
- Oyster commercial В.
  - One 30 second spot
  - One 10 second spot
- c. Holiday Shrimp commercial
  - 1. One 30 second spot
  - 2. One 10 second spot
- Product Specific commercials
  - 1. One 10 second shrimp spot

  - One 10 second crab spot
     One 10 second fish spot
  - 4. One 10 second oyster spot
  - One 10 second crawfish spot

- III. BILLBOARD ADVERTISING Placement of billboards in six rural fishing areas of the state to make the industry more aware of the LSPMB.
  - A. New Iberia
  - B. Houma
  - c. Intracoastal City
  - D. Cut-Off
  - E. Delcambre
  - F. Raceland
- IV. TRADE SHOW PROGRAM All trade shows will be single booth spaces except for the Boston Seafood Show. We will use our small portable booth at all shows. Most shows will be attended by a two person trade show team.
  - A. Texas Restaurant Show, Houston, June
  - B. National Food Distributor Show, Las Vegas, August
  - C. Ontario Restaurant & Food Show, Ottawa, October
  - D. Southeast Foodservice Show, Atlanta, October
  - E. Tennessee Restaurant Show, Nashville, November
  - F. Sea Fare of the Americas, Miami, November
  - G. Sea Fare International, Long Beach, February
  - H. Boston Seafood Show, Boston, March
- V. TARGET CITY PROGRAM Markets have been selected that we will "blitz" with Louisiana seafood promotions. This will involve television/radio appearances on cooking and news programs; in-store food demonstrations in retail supermarkets; restaurant promotions with area restaurants; cooperative advertising in some cases; and special attraction events such as our chef's demonstrating in large retail stores like Macy's etc..
  - A. Birmingham, AL August
    B. Atlanta, GA October
    C. Nashville/Memphis November
    D. Jackson/Monroe March
  - E. Dallas/Shreveport May

VI. MENU MERCHANDISING PROGRAM - Materials for the menu merchandising kit (recipes, photographs, brochures, press releases, menu clip-ons, and menu inserts) have been created. The participating restaurants can register to win prizes for their chefs, waiters and possibly one customer who orders the oyster special. This would be offered to over 4000 restaurants nationwide. We hope to have at least 50 restaurants participating in the program. We will ask the Office of Tourism to co-sponsor this promotion with the donation of the trips to New Orleans and perhaps the LRA to donate a dinner for the winners.

A version of the menu-merchandising kit will be sent to 2000 food editors nationwide. They will receive the Greatest Oyster Recipes of Famous New Orleans Chefs, along with pictures of each dish and a list of story ideas as well as a pre-written oyster story. Other species will follow in a second wave of recipes and photographs that will be sent seasonally.

- VII. FOOD EDITOR/PRESS RELEASE PROGRAM We have hired Dorothy Trick to write a series of press releases, recipes, and story ideas that can be used for each species season. We will also send out press releases on various activities that the Board becomes involved in, to the news media when occasions arise. Some releases will be written by a contract writer but the majority will come from the staff. Listed are the articles Ms. Trick has written and is in the process of placing in publications such as Southern Living, etc..
  - A. LOUISIANA'S BOUNTY FROM THE GULF WATERS KEEPS
    THE TABLES OF THE NATION WELL DRESSED
  - B. <u>CUSTOMERS MUST BUY SELECTIVELY WHEN PURCHASING</u>
    FRESH SEAFOOD
  - C. SHOPPING FOR SEAFOOD? THERE ARE PLENTY OF FISH IN THE SEA
  - D. SAVOR THE DELICATE, SWEET FLAVOR OF THE LOUISIANA BLUE CRAB
  - E. THOSE VERSATILE CRUSTACEANS FROM THE BAYOU-LOUISIANA LOVES CRAWFISH ANY WAY THEY'RE PREPARED
  - F. HEALTH CONSCIOUS AMERICANS ARE EATING MORE SEAFOOD
  - G. LOUISIANA SHRIMP--TASTY, NUTRITIOUS, EASY TO PREPARE
  - H. CATFISH AREN'T JUST FOR FRYING ANYMORE
  - I. GET TO KNOW THE COOKED OYSTER--ONE OF LOUISIANA'S MOST DELECTABLE SEAFOOD SPECIES

- VIII.DIRECT MAIL Other than direct mail with the Menu Merchandising Program and the Food Editors/Press Release Program, we plan to send out massive mailings to food distributors, restaurants and retailers for shrimp, crab, crawfish, fish, and oysters periodically throughout the year. We also will do some mailings to Louisiana commercial fishing license holders perhaps in the form of a news letter as well as sending out trade leads monthly from every trade show on the schedule.
- IX. SPECIAL PROMOTIONS These are promotions separate from the above mentioned programs. We have planned these special events by request from outside sources.
  - A. INDUSTRY TOURS For a two day period we will bring to New Orleans 10-12 food writers from prestigious magazines nationwide to tour the Louisiana seafood industry. We will go out on boats, tour processing facilities, and visit famous seafood restaurants, to expose them to our industry and get a lot of positive stories published in their journals. This event could be co-sponsored by several different organizations such as the Louisiana Office of Tourism and the Louisiana Restaurant Association.
  - B. PHILADELPHIA FOODSERVICE PROMOTION A large foodservice distributor for a four state area around Philadelphia, that only service white-table cloth restaurants has committed to a Louisiana seafood promotion during the months of August and September. They will produce brochures for their customers and encourage their salesman by giving away three trips to New Orleans to their top three salesman of Louisiana products. We will furnish the photographs and copy for the brochures as Well as the three New Orleans trips. This event could be co-sponsored by the Louisiana Office of Tourism.
  - C. EAST JEFFERSON ELDERLY PROGRAM In September at the Esplanade Mall we will co-sponsor an event for the elderly. There will be booths set up for topics of interest for the elderly and we will have a chef demonstrating healthy ways to prepare Louisiana seafood for the elderly diet. This will be a one day event that will cost approximately \$2000. They are expecting about 15,000 visitors.

# LOUISIANA SEAFOOD PROMOTION & MARKETING BOARD

COST ANALYSIS

1992 - 1993

ADVERTISING PROGRAM 92/93

PUBLICATION	NO. ISSUES	COST PER ISSUE	PROCESS COST	TOTAL COST
Seafood Business-1pg	œ	\$1,515.00	\$795.00	\$12,915.00
Seafood Leader-1pg	ო	\$2,215.00	\$0.00	\$6,645.00
Food Arts-2 half page	<b>ო</b>	\$6,273.00	\$0.00	\$18,819.00
PRINT ADVERTISING:	<b>7.</b>			\$38,379.00
BILLBOARD ADVERTISING: Six Rural Areas	3 MONTHS	\$2,500.00		\$7,500.00
TELEVISION/RADIO ADVERTISING	Ö			\$39,962.00
TOTAL ADVERTISING BUDGET:			-	\$85,841.00

LSPMB 92/93 TRADE SHOW SCHEDULE

TOTAL COST		\$4,600.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,000.00	\$4,445.00	\$1,500.00	\$3,175.00	\$3,525.00	\$3,075.00	\$1,450.00	\$4,495.00	\$0.00	\$4,975.00	\$7,140.00		\$40,880.00
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TRAVEL		\$1,400.00	\$1,000.00	80.00	\$2,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00		\$21,400.00
ОТНЕВ		\$600.00	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$750.00	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$450.00	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$750.00	\$1,000.00		\$6,050.00
ATTEND SPACE COST		\$2,600.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,695.00	\$0.00	\$1,175.00	\$1,025.00	\$575.00	\$0.00	\$995.00	\$0.00	\$1,225.00	\$3,140.00		\$13,430.00
ATTEND		CW,VA		호	7	₹		7	7	Š	ო	¥	ო	က		
CITY		Houston, TX	Wash, D.C.	New-Orleans	Las Vegas	Seattle, WA	Ottawa, CANADA	Atlanfa, GA	Nashville, TN	Tucson, AZ	Miami, FL	New Orleans	Long Beach,CA	Boston, MA		
DATES		Jun 28-30	Jul 25-28	Aug 8-10	Aug 9-12	Aug 16-19	Oct 4-5	Oct 11-13	Nov 9-10	Nov 11-13	Nov 18-19	Dec 7-9	Feb 10-12	Mar 16-18		
TRADE SHOW/CONFERENCE DATES		TEXAS RESTAURANT SHOW	*ACF Convention	*LRA Convention	NAT'L FOOD DIST. SHOW	*FMI Conference	ONTARIO REST&FOOD SHOW Oct 4-5	SE FOODSERVICE SHOW	TENNESSEE REST. EXPO	*IFEC Confernece	SEAFARE OF AMERICAS	*Center of the Plate	SEAFARE INTERNATIONAL	BOSTON SEAFOOD SHOW		TOTAL

\*Conference/not a Trade Show

TARGET CITY PROGRAM FOR 92/93

VTIO	DATES	TRAVEL \$	PRODUCT \$	ADVERTISING	TRAVEL \$ PRODUCT \$ ADVERTISING CHEFS FEES TOTAL COST	TOTAL COST
PHILADEPHIA - TARTAN	Aug/Sept	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
NASHVILLE/MEMPHIS	End November	\$2,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,000.00	\$500.00	\$5,000.00
DALLAS	May	\$2,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,000.00	\$500.00	\$5,000.00
BIRMINGHAM, AL	August	\$2,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,000.00	\$500.00	\$5,000.00
ATLANTA	Late October	\$2,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,000.00	\$500.00	\$5,000.00
SHREVEPORT	March	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
TOTALS		\$9,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$22,000,00

# LOUISIANA SEAFOOD PROMOTION & MARKETING BOARD

BUDGET

1992 - 1993

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SEAFOOD PROMOTION BOARD REQUEST FOR BUDGET REVISION COST CENTER 21100	NOis			
	OBJECT CODE	APPROVED 91/92 BUDGET	PROJECTED 92/93 BUDGET	
PERSONAL SERVICES				T TANK
Salaries-Regular	2112	\$118,080.00	\$127,937.00	Y X YOU !
Salaries-Overtime	2114	\$0.00	\$0.00	つる
Salaries-Termination	2116	\$0.00	\$0.00	7
Other Compensation				5,
Student Labor	2124	00.006,68	00.006,68	N. C.
Comp of Board Members	2126	20.00	80.00	
Related Benefits		\$0.00	\$0.00	
Retirement-State	2132	\$8,856.00	\$16,503.87	
Retirement-Other	2140	\$0.00	\$0.00	<b>→</b>
FICA	2142	\$743.00	\$757.35	100 N
Medicare	2143	\$0.00	\$143.55	
Unemployment	2144	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Group Insurance Cont	2146	\$6,444.00	\$10,234.96	
Other Related Benefits	2148	\$0.00	\$0.00	
TOTAL SALARIES		\$144,023.00	\$165,476.73	
TRAVEL				
In-State Administrative	2212	\$3,351.00	\$1,000.00	
In-State Conf & Conv	2214	\$0.00	\$0.00	
In-State Field Travel	2116	\$0.00	80.00	
In-State Board Members	2218	\$0.00	\$500.00	
Out-State Administrative	2222	\$21,000.00	\$5,000.00	/
Out State Conf & Conv	2224	\$23,000.00	\$27,000.00	4
Out State Field Travel	2226	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Out State Board Members	2228	\$0.00	\$0.00	96
TOTAL TRAVEL		\$47,351.00	00.005,585,500.00	) V

OPERATING SERVICES			
Advertising	2300	\$190,187.00	\$85,841.00
Printing	2310	\$58,782.00	\$30,000.00
Insurance	2320	\$0.00	\$0.00
Automotive Repairs	2332	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Other Maintenance	2334	\$1,600.00	\$500.00
Rentals	2340	\$12,000.00	\$10,000.00
Dues & Subscriptions	2350	\$1,155.00	\$1,155.00
Postage	2360	\$12,083.00	\$7,000.00
Telephone	2370	\$10,000.00	\$7,000.00
Utilities	2380	80.00	\$0.00
Laundry	2392	\$0.00	\$0.00
Laboratory Fees	2394	\$0.00	\$0.00
Miscellaneous	2396	\$2,277.00	\$2,277.00
TOTAL OPERATING SERVICES		\$290,084.00	\$145,773.00
SUPPLIES			
Office Supplies	2410	\$6,571.00	\$5,000.00
Operating Supplies-Med	2422	\$0.00	\$0.00
Operating Supplies-Food	2424	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Operating Supplies-Auto	2425	\$2,373.00	\$2,000.00
Other Operating Supplies	2426	\$4,750.00	\$1,000.00
Repair & Maintenance-Auto	2442	\$1,250.00	\$250.00
Repair & Maintenance-Other	2444	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL SUPPLIES		\$19,944.00	\$13,250.00

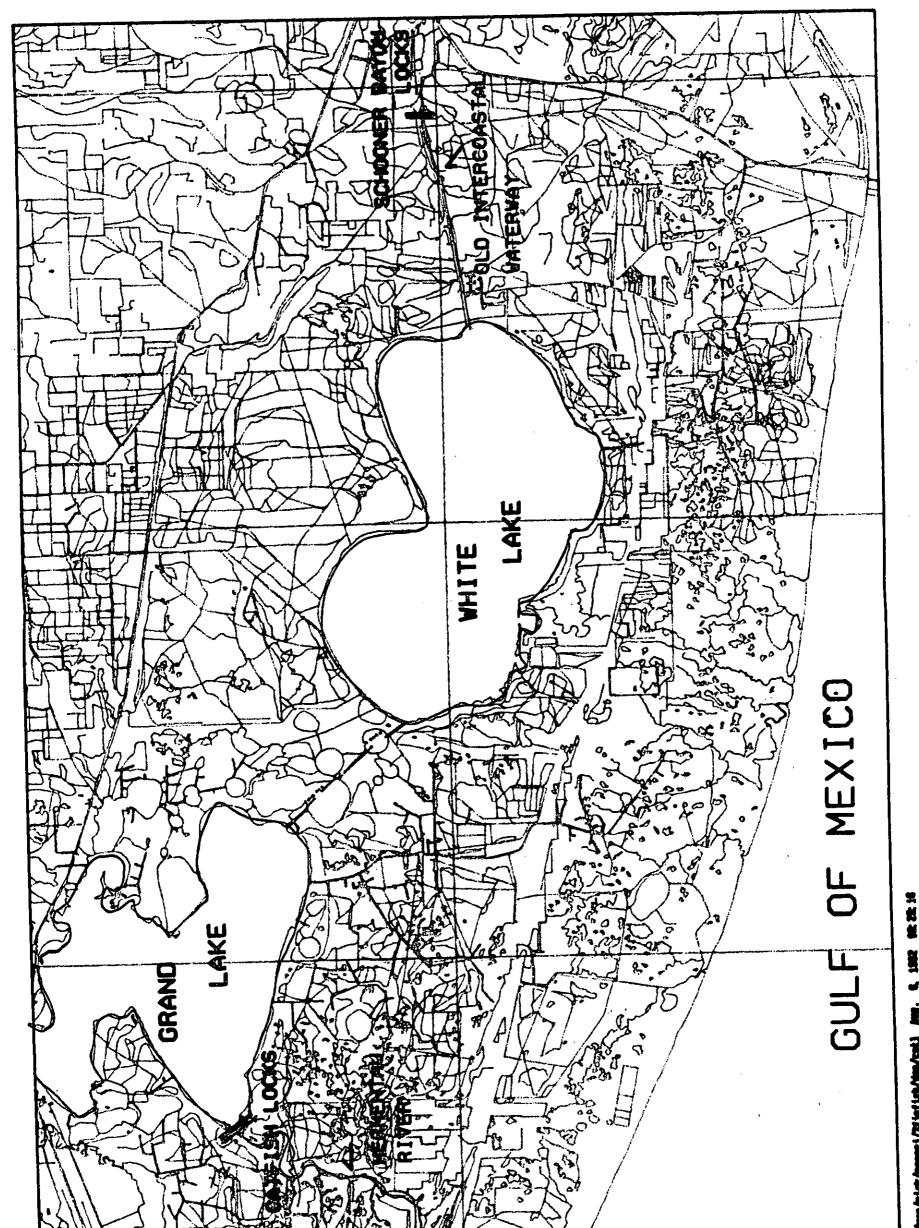
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### St. Bernard Parish Government

8201 West Judge Perez Drive • Chalmette, LA 70043 (504) 278-4200 • Fax (504) 271-7343

July 24, 1992

Mr. Jim Jenkins Commissioner Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries P.O. Box 98,000 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70898

RE:

House Bill No. 291 By Representative Odinet An Act to amend and reenact R.S. 56:433 (B), relative to oysters; to provide for sacking; to provide for set-aside areas; to provide for restrictions; and to provide for related matters.

Dear Mr. Jenkins:

St. Bernard Parish hereby ensures the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries that the Parish will comply with State regulations set by the commission on set aside areas east of the Mississippi River . Setting aside sacking areas will permit lessees of Oyster bedding grounds to fish oysters of any size, without charge from the natural reefs of the waters of this State. House Bill No. 291 will benefit the oyster fishermen of St. Bernard Parish by allowing them to make there leases more productive. If you have any questions please contact Christopher Andry at 278-4303.

Sincerely,

Henry Rodriguez Coungiman District E

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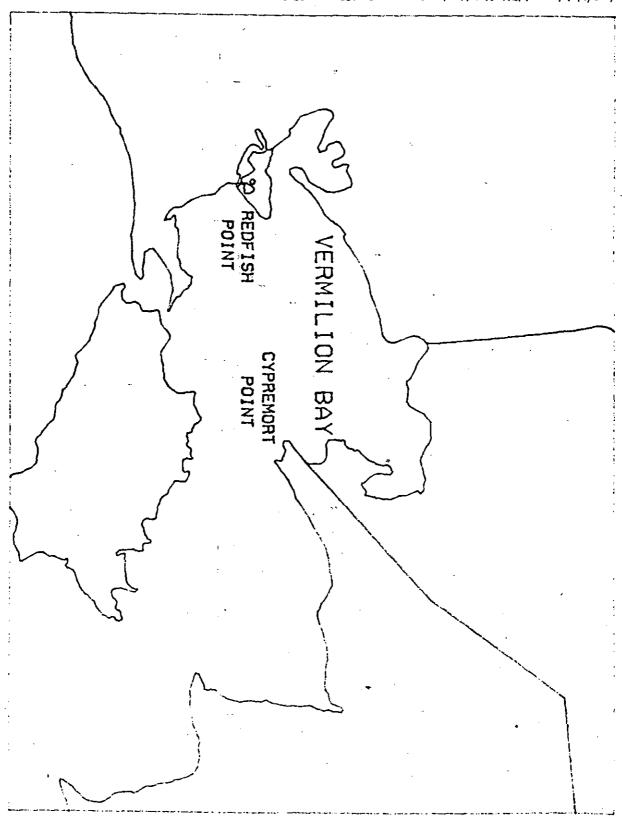
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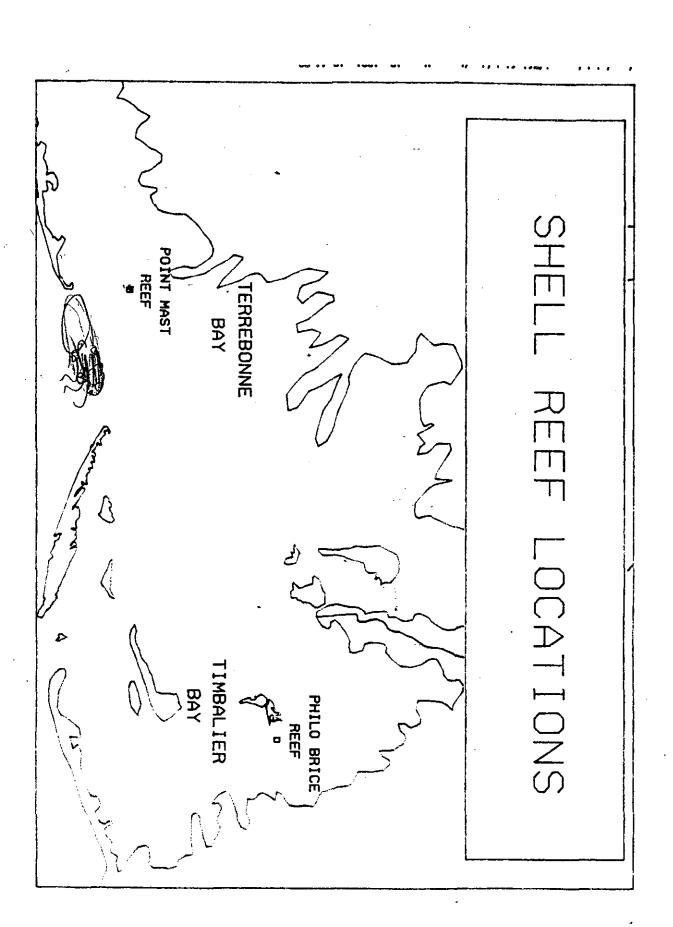
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### LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION BATON ROUGE, LA August 6, 1992 10:00 AM

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- 10. Update on Shrimp Plan Corky Perret
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### Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries

### **NEWS RELEASE**

Joe L. Herring Secretary



CONTACT (504) 765-2923

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WILDLIFE COMMISSION SETS MEETING AGENDA

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### LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

### RESOLUTION

### August 6, 1992

### Baton Rouge, Louisiana

- WHEREAS, pursuant to its general policy making authority and particularly LA. R.S. 56:2 the Commission desires to establish its own written policy regarding the utilization of Wildlife and Fisheries aircraft, and
- WHEREAS, the Commission feels that the best utilization of department aircraft to the maximum extent of their capabilities can be achieved through the enactment of such a policy, and
- whereas, the Commission is of the opinion that the proposed policy of the Commission will result in increased Enforcement utilization of department aircraft and thereby, enforcement of wildlife laws will be enhanced, and
- WHEREAS, the Commission is of the opinion that the proposed policy of the Commission will create a safer flying environment for the utilization of Wildlife and Fisheries aircraft.
- THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that this Commission does hereby adopt the following:

### WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES AIRCRAFT POLICY

- 1. Wildlife and Fisheries aircraft shall be used by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries solely in the conduct of its business. Personal use is prohibited. Any passenger who is not a Department employee or Commission member must have approval of the Secretary, or the flight officer, before the flight.
- 2. Flight operations shall be governed by the following priority:
  - a. Safety
  - b. Highest quality of service
  - c. Economy
- 3. All flight operations shall be conducted according

- to applicable FAA regulations, aircraft and engine manuals, insurance provisions, policies of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and directives from the Chief Pilot.
- 4. The Secretary or his designated flight officer shall be responsible for operational and financial control of Department aircraft. Safety requires the designated pilot have final flight authority. However, no active thunderstorm penetration is permitted. No passenger shall have final flight authority.
- 5. A Chief Pilot shall be designated from the pilots on staff.
- 6. The Chief Pilot shall report to the flight officer, and is responsible for the training and scheduling of pilots and other personnel assigned to him, as well as maintenance, care and administration of the aircraft. He shall submit a monthly summary of activity for each aircraft to the flight officer.
- All flight personnel shall mantain the highest 7. personal standards and conduct themselves The use of alcohol accordingly when on duty. controlled and/or substances (other than prescription) is strictly forbidden and shall be cause for dismissal.
- 8. The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries discourages the use of its aircraft by other governmental agencies. If other agency use does occur, that agency must have approval of the Secretary or the flight officer and will be charged the usual public aircraft charter rate for the aircraft used. Every effort will be made to collect these charges in a timely manner.
- 9. All float equipped aircraft shall be assigned to and utilized by the enforcement division on a daily basis with the understanding that other divisions

shall have access to these aircraft on a preapproved and scheduled basis. The aircraft will be stationed strategically across the state to insure quick response and minimum flying time to cover all state coastal water.

- 10. Department Pilots whose job classification are such shall be assigned to fly all aircraft. Other Department personnel, even though licensed and qualified will not be allowed "pilot privilege" without written approval of the Chief Pilot and the Secretary.
- 11. The Department will not own more aircraft than it employs active and qualified pilots.

APPROVED:

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